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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: God of the universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

A full week later, we are thankful that we live in a nation where a peaceful change or readjustment of government is not only expected, but achieved. May it ever be so.

Bless the Members of this assembly as they return to the work facing them, work that needs to be done. Give them the wisdom they need and the charity they must possess to work together. Help them to make wise decisions in a good manner.

We ask Your blessing as well on those newly elected, or reelected, to this assembly. May they fully understand the trust that has been given them to represent not only those whose votes they received, but those who did not vote for them as well. All are citizens to be represented by the new Members of this people's House.

May Your blessing, O God, be with them and with us all this day and every day to come, and may all we do be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. FOXX led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Brian Pate, one of his secretaries.

MAKING IN ORDER CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES ON NOVEMBER 13, 2014, OR NOVEMBER 14, 2014

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of November 13, 2014, or November 14, 2014, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as though under clause 1 of rule XV.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WOMACK). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore WOLF on Friday, September 19, 2014:

H.R. 594, to amend the Public Health Service Act relating to Federal research on muscular dystrophy, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2600, to amend the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act to clarify how the act applies to condominiums;

H.R. 3043, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of general welfare benefits provided by Indian tribes;

H.R. 3716, to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and for other purposes;

H.R. 5062, to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to specify that privilege and confidentiality are maintained when information is shared by certain nondepository covered persons with Federal and State financial regulators, and for other purposes;

H.R. 5404, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore HARRIS on Thursday, September 25, 2014:

H.R. 4980, to prevent and address sex trafficking of children in foster care, to extend and improve adoption incentives, and to improve international child support recovery;

H.R. 4994, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for standardized post-acute care assessment data for quality, payment, and discharge planning, and for other purposes;

S.J. Res. 40, providing for the appointment of Michael Lynton as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

VETERANS DAY

(Mr. PALAZZO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, yesterday was Veterans Day, and I just want to say thank you to my fellow Americans who took the time to celebrate it.

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You see, Veterans Day is where we have an opportunity to thank the few who have answered their Nation's call to defend us from enemies at home and abroad.

These are the men and women who will walk through the gates of hell to stand up against evil and danger so we do not have to.

Veterans don't ask for much, so it is not a hard holiday to celebrate. A simple "thank you" will do just fine.

But I want to ask the American people to never forget the sacrifices that these fine men and women and their families make for us. And as a Nation, we must keep our promises we made to these defenders of freedom.

Veterans love our American flag. It represents the greatest Nation in the history of mankind. Fly it proudly. Simply put, be proud to be an American. For a veteran, that is thanks enough.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CAROL J. LANCASTER

(Ms. PELOSI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Carol J. Lancaster, the visionary educator, public servant, and trailblazing dean of the Georgetown School of Foreign Service, who passed away last month.

Born to working-class parents during the Second World War, Lancaster became the first in her family to attend college. At Georgetown University, she became one of the first women to earn a bachelor of science degree from the School of Foreign Service. Following graduation, Dean Lancaster was awarded a Fulbright fellowship to study at the Universidad de San Andres in La Paz, Bolivia, adding Spanish to the five additional languages she would learn in adulthood. Lancaster later earned a doctorate in international relations from the London School of Economics in 1972.

After teaching in England and following a series of prestigious fellowships, she was called to serve in the U.S. Department of State as a member of the policy planning staff, and in the early eighties she became Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs at the State Department. During the Clinton administration, she served as Deputy Administrator of USAID. In every position, she focused her time and talent on creating a better world for all our children.

At the end of her government service, Lancaster's commitment to building the next generation of global leaders compelled her to teach at the Walsh School of Foreign Service, where she inspired students, encouraged scholars, strengthened diplomacy, and authored numerous books and articles for more than 30 years. At Georgetown, Lancaster motivated a new generation of young leaders, thinkers, and problem

solvers to soar to greater heights and tackle today's challenges with vigor, compassion, and courage.

Mr. Speaker, her legacy of excellence continues to echo through Georgetown's community. Georgetown University President Jack DeGioia noted that Lancaster "provided extraordinary leadership as dean of SFS and was a leader and a professor contributing in countless ways to our community through her vision and scholarship. Moreover, the joy and dedication that Carol brought to her work inspired us all to be the very best versions of ourselves," he said.

Chairman of the Foreign Service School's Board of Visitors, my husband, Paul Pelosi, noted that as the first woman and first alumnus to become dean of the School of Foreign Service, she "was renowned for her commitment to her students; she demonstrated both intellectual curiosity and courage and had a profound effect on the way we think about global development. Carol will be remembered as a pioneering woman in international affairs and a stalwart champion of human dignity."

In conclusion, when speaking around the world, Lancaster also had to stand on what she called the "Madeline Albright box" to be seen over podiums. Today, thousands of young students and women from across the world stand on her shoulders, inspired by her example and empowered by her leadership to speak boldly, act bravely, and make their mark in the world.

May it be a comfort to her husband, Curt, their son, Douglas, who is with us today with his wife, and the entire Farrar family that so many people around the world mourn their loss, share their grief, and are praying for them at this sad time.

President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia said it best: "May she rest in peace for her long years of labor to make the world a better place."

UMITA

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, you can't turn on the TV this week without hearing about MIT economist Jonathan Gruber's comments that ObamaCare was passed by exploiting the lack of information given to the American people. In his comments, Gruber, a key architect of the legislation, called the lack of transparency involved in passing ObamaCare "a huge political advantage."

President Obama has claimed that his administration is the most transparent administration in history, but statements like Gruber's indicate otherwise.

It is long past time for Congress to require transparency from the executive branch. Earlier this year, a bipartisan majority in the House passed my bill, H.R. 899, the Unfunded Mandates

Information and Transparency Act, which we call UMITA. This bipartisan legislation would improve transparency and public disclosure of the true costs in dollars and in jobs that Federal dictates pose to the economy.

Asking the Federal Government to disclose the cost of a mandate in addition to its benefits should not be controversial. It is just plain common sense, Mr. Speaker. I call on the Senate to pass UMITA and put transparency back in government.

JONATHAN GRUBER'S STATEMENTS ARE SHOCKING BUT NOT SURPRISING

(Mr. BURGESS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, in 2009, President-elect Obama wrote a memo that his Presidency will usher in an unprecedented level of openness. But this week, it was revealed that the lead architect for the Affordable Care Act, Jonathan Gruber, capitalized on—his words now—the stupidity of the American people in passing the health care law. He further went on to say the lack of transparency is a huge political advantage and was critical to passing the law.

This insult to the American people is shocking, but it is hardly surprising. In 2011, the Energy and Commerce Committee uncovered evidence of secret meetings at the White House where they were setting the stage for the takeover of America's healthcare. At the time, their work was discounted. Old news, they said. But was it really?

The American people sent a message last week, and the message was they are not stupid. This administration, which finds value in opacity while talking transparency, needs to conduct its business in the light of day, exactly as they promised in 2009.

IRAN NUCLEAR NEGOTIANTS DEADLINE

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, we are now less than 2 weeks away from the Iran nuclear negotiations deadline.

A deal that allows Iran to enrich any uranium and to keep in place its nuclear infrastructure is a bad deal. As long as Iran maintains the capability to enrich uranium, it can create a nuclear weapon.

The administration has always misinterpreted the goal of our sanctions. They are to compel Iran to completely abandon its nuclear pursuit.

As the deadline looms and as Republicans are set to control Congress, I urge my colleagues to not allow President Obama to trade away the only leverage we have over the mullahs in

Tehran in exchange for minor and easy reversible modifications by Iran on its nuclear weapons program. Simply pushing back Iran's breakout time is not in the interests of the U.S. national security. Ensuring that there will never be an Iranian bomb is in our Nation's interest.

RUSSIAN BEAR IS ROARING AGAIN

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, while the eyes of the world are on ISIS, the Russian bear has quietly come out of hibernation. Putin is back after a brief hiatus, seeking to devour his neighbors and reclaim his kingdom while once again sending covert henchmen into eastern Ukraine. The Napoleon of Siberia is systematically trying to reestablish imperial Russia with him as the czar.

According to U.S. General Phillip Breedlove, recently, "new Russian tanks, Russian artillery, Russian air defense systems, and Russian combat troops have entered eastern Ukraine." News reports indicate five of the trucks were towing 120-millimeter howitzer artillery pieces, and another five were towing partly covered multilaunch rocket systems.

This sounds like an aggression to me.

Of course, the Kremlin lies and denies it all. And why is this aggression continuing? Because, on the world stage, America looks weak and leaderless. Reset buttons and red lines don't mean anything to Putin. Our hollow objections to Russia are meaningless. The Russian bear needs to stop its cold war II-type aggression and return back to the cave.

Mr. Speaker, what is America's plan? And that is just the way it is.

ELECTORATE VOTES TO STOP OBAMA

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on October 2, the President promised, "I'm not on the ballot this fall, but my policies are on the ballot."

Clearly, America, which is not stupid, voted last Tuesday to stop his policies, which destroy jobs at home and weaken national defense abroad.

On Sunday, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution lead editorial explained, "The electorate took a peach tree switch to the donkey's hindquarters," resulting in Georgia and South Carolina achieving returning Republican victories for all statewide and Federal offices for the first time in 136 years.

Failed policies should stop and together we should work for positive change, such as opening Yucca Mountain to reduce the environmental risk of nuclear waste. The Boston Globe editorialized, "Resume funding the Yucca

Mountain project," and "Democrats should recognize that."

Additionally, the Keystone pipeline should be completed to promote energy independence with hundreds of permanent jobs in my home communities with Michelin of Lexington and MTU of Graniteville.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and the President should take action to never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

□ 1415

PROTECTING OUR RIVERWAYS

(Mr. SMITH of Missouri asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, Missouri's Eighth District has more than 200 miles of the Mississippi River and is dependent on barge traffic to move our crops. This year, with one of the largest harvests on record, the Army Corps of Engineers closed a stretch of the Mississippi River that gets the harvest to market and did not adequately notify shippers.

This is absolutely unacceptable. My colleagues and I sent a letter this week urging the Corps to notify industries in advance of construction, and also to take market factors into consideration when planning construction in the future. The work the Corps does protecting our river system is vital, and we need to work to secure the Corps more resources to complete its mission, but construction must be scheduled appropriately and not at the expense of America's farmers and shippers.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 23, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 23, 2014, at 2:23 p.m.:

Appointments:
National Council on Disability
With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 29, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 29, 2014, at 10:13 a.m.:

Appointments:
John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development.
Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.

John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 21, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 21, 2014, at 10:50 a.m.:

Appointments:
National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 25, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a grand jury subpoena for documents issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in connection with a matter now pending before the grand jury.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

ED CASSIDY.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE ALLYSON Y. SCHWARTZ, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable ALLYSON Y. SCHWARTZ, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, September 29, 2014.

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a subpoena, issued by the Department of the Army, Office of Staff Judge Advocate, for documents in a criminal case.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

ALLYSON Y. SCHWARTZ,
Member of Congress.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE LEE TERRY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable LEE TERRY, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Omaha, NE, October 29, 2014.

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have received a deposition subpoena for documents issued by the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, in connection with a civil matter now pending before that court.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is not consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

LEE TERRY.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE STEVE STOCKMAN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable STEVE STOCKMAN, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 6, 2014.

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have received a subpoena issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

I am consulting with counsel to determine whether, and to what extent, compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN E. STOCKMAN,
Member of Congress.

COMMUNICATION FROM SENIOR COMMUNICATIONS AND POLICY ADVISER, THE HONORABLE STEVE STOCKMAN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Donny Ferguson, Senior Communications and Policy Adviser, the Honorable STEVE STOCKMAN, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 6, 2014.

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a grand jury subpoena, issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, for testimony and documents in a criminal investigation.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

DONNY FERGUSON,
Senior Communications & Policy Adviser.

COMMUNICATION FROM EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT AND SCHEDULER, THE HONORABLE STEVE STOCKMAN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Kristine O. Brakstad, Executive Assistant and Scheduler, the Honorable STEVE STOCKMAN, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 6, 2014.

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a grand jury subpoena, issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, for testimony and documents in a criminal investigation.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

KRISTINE O. BRAKSTAD,
Executive Assistant & Scheduler.

COMMUNICATION FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT, THE HONORABLE STEVE STOCKMAN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Printus LeBlanc, Legislative Assistant, the Honorable STEVE STOCKMAN, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 8, 2014.

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules

of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a grand jury subpoena, issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, for testimony and documents in a criminal investigation.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

PRINTUS LEBLANC,
Legislative Assistant.

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 113-172)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979, is to continue in effect beyond November 14, 2014.

Because our relations with Iran have not yet returned to normal, and the process of implementing the agreements with Iran, dated January 19, 1981, is still under way, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12170 with respect to Iran.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, November 12, 2014.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 4 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 22 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1600

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. COLLINS of New York) at 4 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair

will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

GOVERNMENT REPORTS ELIMINATION ACT OF 2014

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 4194) to provide for the elimination or modification of Federal reporting requirements.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the Senate amendment is as follows:

Senate amendment:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014”.

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title.

Sec. 2. Table of contents.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Sec. 101. Reports eliminated.

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Sec. 201. Reports eliminated.

**TITLE III—CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL
AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Sec. 301. Reports eliminated.

TITLE IV—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Sec. 401. Reports eliminated.

TITLE V—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Sec. 501. Report on Impact Aid construction justifying discretionary grant awards eliminated.

TITLE VI—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Sec. 601. Reports eliminated.

**TITLE VII—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

Sec. 701. Great Lakes management comprehensive report eliminated.

**TITLE VIII—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT**

Sec. 801. Report relating to waiver of certain sanctions against North Korea eliminated.

**TITLE IX—GOVERNMENT
ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE**

Sec. 901. Reports eliminated.

Sec. 902. Reports modified.

**TITLE X—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
SECURITY**

Sec. 1001. Reports eliminated.

**TITLE XI—DEPARTMENT OF THE
INTERIOR**

Sec. 1101. Royalties in-kind report eliminated.

TITLE XII—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Sec. 1201. Report eliminated.

**TITLE XIII—OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF
NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE**

Sec. 1301. Report eliminated.

TITLE XIV—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Sec. 1401. Report eliminated.

**TITLE XV—DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION**

Sec. 1501. Reports eliminated.

Sec. 1502. Report modified.

**TITLE XVI—DEPARTMENT OF THE
TREASURY**

Sec. 1601. Reports eliminated.

**TITLE XVII—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS**

Sec. 1701. Report eliminated.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SEC. 101. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) PEANUT BASE ACRES DATA COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION.—Section 1302(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 8752(d)) is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (3);

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking “Paragraphs (1) through (3)” and inserting “Paragraphs (1) and (2)”; and

(3) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (3).

(b) REPORT ON EXPORT CREDIT GUARANTEES TO EMERGING MARKETS.—Section 1542(e) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-624; 7 U.S.C. 5622 note) is amended—

(1) by striking “(1) EFFECT OF CREDITS.—”; and

(2) by striking paragraph (2).

(c) EVALUATION OF THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM FINANCING OF LOCALLY OR REGIONALLY PRODUCED FOOD PRODUCTS.—Section 310B(g)(9)(B) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932(g)(9)(B)) is amended—

(1) by striking clause (iv); and

(2) by redesignating clause (v) as clause (iv).

(d) QUARTERLY EXPORT ASSISTANCE REPORTS.—Section 603 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5713) is repealed.

(e) RURAL COLLABORATIVE INVESTMENT PROGRAM.—

(1) SECRETARIAL REPORT ON REGIONAL RURAL INVESTMENT BOARDS.—Section 385C(b)(7) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009dd-2(b)(7)) is amended—

(A) in subparagraph (B), by adding “and” at the end;

(B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “; and” and inserting a period; and

(C) by striking subparagraph (D).

(2) REPORT BY REGIONAL RURAL INVESTMENT BOARD TO NATIONAL RURAL INVESTMENT BOARD AND THE SECRETARY.—Section 385D(a)(7) of Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2009dd-3(a)(7)) is amended—

(A) in subparagraph (C), by adding “and” at the end;

(B) by striking subparagraph (D); and

(C) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (D).

(f) STATUS REPORT FOR FOREIGN MARKET DEVELOPMENT.—Section 702 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5722) is amended by striking subsection (c).

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

SEC. 201. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) EFFORTS AND PROGRESS IN BECOMING DESIGNATED AS SEA GRANT COLLEGE OR INSTITUTE.—Section 207 of the National Sea Grant Program Act (33 U.S.C. 1126) is amended by striking subsection (e).

(b) ENTERPRISE INTEGRATION STANDARDIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.—Section 3 of the Enterprise Integration Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 278g-5) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (c); and

(2) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively.

(c) ENSURING EQUAL ACCESS TO SEA GRANT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—Section 208(a) of the National Sea Grant Program Act (33 U.S.C. 1127(a)) is amended by striking the fourth sentence.

(d) TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES.—Section 28 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278n) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (g);

(2) by redesignating subsections (h) through (l) as subsections (g) through (k), respectively; and

(3) in subsection (k)(5), as redesignated, by striking “under subsection (k)” and inserting “under subsection (j)”.

(e) TIP ADVISORY BOARD ANNUAL REPORT.—Section 28 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278n) is further amended in subsection (j), as redesignated by subsection (d), by striking paragraph (5).

(f) NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES ACTIVITIES.—Section 212 of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Convention Act of 1995 (16 U.S.C. 5611) is repealed.

TITLE III—CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

SEC. 301. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY.—The National and Community Service Act of 1990 is amended by repealing part IV of subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12565).

(b) REPORTS BY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES TO THE CORPORATION.—Section 182 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12642) is amended—

(1) by striking the following:

“(a) DESIGN OF PROGRAMS.—”; and

(2) by striking subsection (b).

TITLE IV—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SEC. 401. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) DISPLAY OF ANNUAL BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR AIR SOVEREIGNTY ALERT MISSION.—Section 354 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 10 U.S.C. 221 note) is hereby repealed.

(b) ANNUAL REPORT ON RELIABILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.—Section 1008 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (Public Law 107-107; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) by striking subsections (a) and (b); and

(2) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “(b) or”.

TITLE V—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SEC. 501. REPORT ON IMPACT AID CONSTRUCTION JUSTIFYING DISCRETIONARY GRANT AWARDS ELIMINATED.

Section 8007(b) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7707(b)) is amended by striking paragraph (7).

TITLE VI—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

SEC. 601. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM.—Section 983 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16323) is amended by striking subsection (d).

(b) STRATEGIC UNCONVENTIONAL FUELS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.—Section 369(i) of Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15927(i)) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

(c) ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS FOR INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT.—Section 342(a)(6)(C) of Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6313(a)(6)(C)) is amended—

(1) by striking clause (v); and

(2) by redesignating clause (vi) (as added by section 310(a)(4) of Public Law 112-110; 126 Stat. 1524) as clause (v).

TITLE VII—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

SEC. 701. GREAT LAKES MANAGEMENT COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 118(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(c)) is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (10); and

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through (13) as paragraphs (10) through (12), respectively.

TITLE VIII—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

SEC. 801. REPORT RELATING TO WAIVER OF CERTAIN SANCTIONS AGAINST NORTH KOREA ELIMINATED.

Section 1405 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (22 U.S.C. 2799aa-1 note) is amended—

- (1) by striking subsection (c); and
- (2) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (c).

TITLE IX—GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SEC. 901. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) **EXPENDITURES OF LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.**—Section 1904 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6574) is repealed.

(b) **USE OF RECOVERY ACT FUNDS BY STATES AND LOCALITIES REPORT.**—Section 901 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111–5; 123 Stat. 191) is repealed.

(c) **HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT FUNDS AUDIT.**—(1) **ELIMINATION OF AUDIT.**—Section 902(b) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15542(b)) is amended—

- (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “paragraph (5)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”; and
- (B) by striking paragraph (3); and
- (C) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (6) as paragraphs (3) through (5).

(2) **PRESERVATION OF AUTHORITY TO RECOUP FUNDS RESULTING FROM PRIOR AUDITS.**—Section 902(c) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 15542(c)) is amended by inserting after “subsection (b)” the following: “prior to the date of the enactment of the Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014”.

(d) **STATE SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT INITIATIVE AUDIT AND REPORT.**—Section 3011 of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 (12 U.S.C. 5710) is amended—

- (1) by striking subsection (b); and
- (2) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (b) and (c), respectively.

(e) **SMALL BUSINESS LENDING FUND PROGRAM AUDIT AND REPORT.**—Section 4107 of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 (12 U.S.C. 4741 note) is amended—

- (1) by striking subsection (c); and
- (2) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively.

(f) **HOUSING ASSISTANCE COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT.**—Section 6303(a) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (42 U.S.C. 1490e note) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

SEC. 902. REPORTS MODIFIED.

(a) **NATIONAL PREVENTION, HEALTH PROMOTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL.**—Subsection (i) of section 4001 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 300u–10) is amended by striking “The Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States shall jointly conduct periodic reviews” and inserting “The Secretary shall conduct periodic reviews”.

(b) **POSTCARD MANDATE.**—Section 719(g)(2) of title 31, United States Code is amended—

(1) by striking the first sentence and inserting the following: “The Comptroller General shall make each list available through the public website of the Government Accountability Office.”; and

(2) in the second sentence, by inserting “of Congress” after “committee or member”.

(c) **ANNUAL AUDIT OF THE CONGRESSIONAL AWARD FOUNDATION.**—

(1) **USE OF PRIVATE INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT.**—Section 107 of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 807) is amended to read as follows:

“AUDITS

“SEC. 107. (a) **CONTRACTS WITH INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT.**—The Board shall enter into a contract with an independent public accountant to conduct an annual audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards, of the financial records of the Board and of any corporation established under section 106(i), and shall ensure that the independent public accountant has access for the purpose of the audit to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Board or such corporation (or any agent of the Board or such cor-

poration) which the independent public accountant reasonably determines to be pertinent to the Congressional Award Program.

“(b) **ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS ON AUDIT RESULTS.**—Not later than May 15 of each calendar year, the Board shall submit to appropriate officers, committees, and subcommittees of Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States a report on the results of the most recent audit conducted pursuant to this section, and shall include in the report information on any such additional areas as the independent public accountant who conducted the audit determines deserve or require evaluation.

“(c) **REVIEW BY THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF ANNUAL AUDIT.**—

“(1) The Comptroller General of the United States shall review each annual audit conducted under subsection (a).

“(2) For purposes of a review under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General, or any duly authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Board or such corporation, or any agent of the Board or such corporation, including the independent external auditor designated under subsection (a), which, in the opinion of the Comptroller General, may be pertinent.

“(3) Not later than 180 days after the date on which the Comptroller General receives a report under subsection (b), the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report containing the results of the review conducted under paragraph (1) with respect to the preceding year.”.

(2) **AMENDMENTS RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH FISCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.**—Section 104(c) of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 804(c)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the first sentence, by—

- (i) inserting “policies and” before “procedures”; and
- (ii) striking “fund”; and
- (B) in paragraph (2)(A)—

(i) in the first sentence, by striking “The Comptroller General of the United States” and inserting “The independent public accountant conducting the annual audit of the financial records of the Board pursuant to section 107(a)”; and

(ii) in the second sentence, by striking “the Comptroller General” and inserting “the independent public accountant”.

(3) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by this subsection shall take effect on October 1, 2014.

(d) **ANNUAL GAO REVIEW OF PROPOSED HHS RECOVERY THRESHOLD.**—The third sentence of section 1862(b)(9)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(9)(B)(i)) is amended by striking “for a year” and inserting “for 2014”.

TITLE X—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

SEC. 1001. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) **PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF PRODUCTS MADE WITH DOG OR CAT FUR.**—Section 308 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1308) is amended by striking subsection (e).

(b) **PORT OF ENTRY INFRASTRUCTURE ASSESSMENT STUDY AND NATIONAL LAND BORDER SECURITY PLAN.**—The Border Infrastructure and Technology Modernization Act of 2007 (title VI of division E of Public Law 110–161; 6 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.) is amended by striking sections 603 and 604.

(c) **FEES FOR CERTAIN CUSTOMS SERVICES.**—

(1) **REPEAL.**—Section 13031 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (Public Law 99–272; 19 U.S.C. 58c) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)(9), by striking subparagraph (C) and redesignating subparagraph (D) as subparagraph (C); and

(B) in subsection (f)—

- (i) in paragraph (3)—
- (I) by striking subparagraph (D); and

(II) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (D);

(ii) by striking paragraph (4); and

(iii) by redesignating paragraphs (5) and (6) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively.

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—Subsection (f) of such section is further amended—

(A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “paragraph (5)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”; and

(B) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking “paragraph (5)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”.

(d) **MODERNIZATION OF NATIONAL DISTRESS AND RESPONSE SYSTEM.**—

(1) **REPEAL.**—Section 346 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–295; 14 U.S.C. 88 note) is repealed.

(2) **CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—The table of contents in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by striking the item relating to section 346.

TITLE XI—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

SEC. 1101. ROYALTIES IN-KIND REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 342 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15902) is amended—

- (1) by striking subsection (e); and
- (2) by redesignating subsections (f) through (j) as subsections (e) through (i), respectively.

TITLE XII—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

SEC. 1201. REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 207 of the Andean Trade Preference Act (19 U.S.C. 3205) is repealed.

TITLE XIII—OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

SEC. 1301. REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 2(5)(E) of the Senate resolution advising and consenting to ratification of the Document Agreed Among the States Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (CFE) of November 19, 1990, adopted at Vienna May 31, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105–5) (commonly referred to as the “CFE Flank Document”), 105th Congress, agreed to May 14, 1997, is repealed.

TITLE XIV—DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SEC. 1401. REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 620F of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2376) is amended by striking subsection (c).

TITLE XV—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEC. 1501. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) **REPORTS OF AIR TRAFFIC SERVICES COMMITTEE.**—Section 106(p)(7) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) by striking subparagraph (H); and
- (2) by redesignating subparagraph (I) as subparagraph (H).

(b) **ANNUAL SUMMARIES OF AIRPORT FINANCIAL REPORTS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 47107 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking subsection (k).

(2) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—

(A) Section 47107 of title 49, United States Code, as amended by paragraph (1), is further amended—

- (i) by redesignating subsections (l) through (t) as subsections (k) through (s), respectively;
- (ii) in paragraph (5) of subsection (k), as redesignated by clause (i)—

(I) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “subsection (n)(7)” and inserting “subsection (m)(7)”; and

(II) in subparagraph (B), by striking “subsection (n)” and inserting “subsection (m)”; and

(iii) in subsection (m), as so redesignated—

(I) by striking “subsections (b) and (l)” each place it appears and inserting “subsections (b) and (k)”; and

(II) by striking “subsection (o)” each place it appears and inserting “subsection (n)”; and

(iv) in subsection (n), as so redesignated, by striking “subsection (n)” each place it appears and inserting “subsection (m)”; and

(v) in subsection (o), as so redesignated, by striking “subsection (o)” and inserting “subsection (n)”; and

(vi) in subsection (p), as so redesignated, by striking “subsections (a) through (p)” and inserting “subsections (a) through (o)”;

(vii) in subsection (q), as so redesignated, by striking “subsections (q)(1) through (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection (p)”.

(B) Section 46301(d)(2) of such title is amended by striking “section 47107(l)” and inserting “section 47107(k)”.

(C) Section 47111(e) of such title is amended by striking “section 47107(l)” and inserting “section 47107(k)”.

(D) Section 9502 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “section 47107(n)” each place it appears and inserting “section 47107(m)”.

(c) ANNUAL REPORT ON PIPELINE SAFETY INFORMATION GRANTS TO COMMUNITIES.—Section 60130 of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (c); and

(2) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (c).

(d) ANNUAL REPORT ON PILOT PROGRAM FOR INNOVATIVE FINANCING OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT.—Section 182 of the Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (117 Stat. 2515; 49 U.S.C. 44502 note) is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (e); and

(2) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (e).

(e) REPORTS ON JUSTIFICATIONS FOR AIR DEFENSE IDENTIFICATION ZONES.—Section 602 of the Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (117 Stat. 2563), and the item relating to that section in the table of contents contained in section 1(b) of that Act, are repealed.

(f) ANNUAL REPORT ON STANDARDS FOR AIRCRAFT AND AIRCRAFT ENGINES TO REDUCE NOISE LEVELS.—Section 726 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (114 Stat. 167; 49 U.S.C. 47508 note) is amended by striking subsection (c).

SEC. 1502. REPORT MODIFIED.

Section 1138(a) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking “at least annually, but may be conducted”.

TITLE XVI—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

SEC. 1601. REPORTS ELIMINATED.

(a) ANNUAL REPORT ON THE NORTH AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.—Section 2 of Public Law 108–215 (22 U.S.C. 290m–6) is repealed.

(b) REPORT ON VOTING ON INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS LOAN PROPOSALS.—Section 701 of the International Financial Institutions Act (22 U.S.C. 262d) is amended by striking subsection (c) and redesignating subsection (d) through subsection (g) (as added by section 501(g) of Public Law 96–259) as subsections (c) through (f), respectively.

(c) REPORT ON NEW IMF ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING RATES AND MATURITIES.—Section 605 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1999 (112 Stat. 2681–222), as enacted into law by section 101(d) of division A of the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public Law 105–277), is amended by striking subsection (d).

(d) REPORT ON SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATIONS.—The Government Securities Act Amendments of 1993 (Public Law 103–202; 31 U.S.C. 3121 note) is amended—

(1) by striking section 203; and

(2) in the table of contents for such Act, by striking the item relating to section 203.

TITLE XVII—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

SEC. 1701. REPORT ELIMINATED.

Section 8125 of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (d); and

(2) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (d).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) and the gentleman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to urge my colleagues to support the Senate amendment to H.R. 4194, the Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014. H.R. 4194 passed the House by voice vote on April 28, 2014, and an amended version passed the Senate under unanimous consent on September 16. I would like to personally take a moment to thank Senators CARPER and COBURN, as well as the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff, for diligently working on getting this bill passed through the Senate. I would also like to personally thank Senators WARNER and AYOTTE, who introduced a companion bill in the Senate, for working with the OGR and the House Armed Services Committee, and others, to get a bill that is so broadly accepted and does so much to eliminate unnecessary and duplicative agency reports.

The Government Reports Elimination Act is part of the committee's effort to reduce waste and duplication in the Federal Government. We have spent more than a year working with each House committee vetting each section to ensure that useful agency reports are maintained. The Senate amendment reduces to 48 the number of unnecessary agency reports to Congress and eliminates or streamlines an additional five.

Mr. Speaker, it is a good start. We started with a much larger report list. We believe that the progress under this bill sets the tone for an annual elimination of reports that have become outdated or unnecessary. It is very clear that each time the Congress passes a new piece of legislation—or even a new appropriation—there are questions that need to be answered and which the executive branch is staffed and funded to answer. However, most reports requested have no termination date. A single report is harmless and generally is accurate to the time of the passing, while one that goes on in perpetuity inevitably becomes outdated and, in fact, unnecessary.

In the future, we not only want to continue doing this for those reports that have an in-perpetuity annual or periodic report, we also want to make sure, as a committee, that new report

requirements written into any piece of legislation have a reauthorization or elimination date. We believe that is the only way we can cease the continuation of excess reports.

Lastly, I would like to thank the GAO, the Congress' government accountability organization. In 2013, they identified mandates that appeared to be both burdensome and unnecessary, and they came to the Oversight Committee and to our counterpart in the Senate with them. If not for them, we would not have this bill here today.

Again, very often, the American people see Senators on one side and House Members on another taking credit for a vote they are about to make or have just made. Not often enough do we realize that it is not only our personal and committee staffs but also the staffs that work for Congress on a non-partisan basis who are the ones, in fact, who generate most of the good things that ultimately come to this floor.

Lastly, I would like to thank this administration. This is one area in which they concurred with us and helped all along the way to try to include as many reports as they could in this piece of legislation.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this important legislation. I am pleased to join my colleagues in support of H.R. 4194, the Government Reports Elimination Act, as amended. I also want to thank my good friend, Chairman DARRELL ISSA, for his bipartisan approach to this bill. This bill will bring greater efficiency to the overall government of the United States.

Congress often requires reports from executive branch agencies, and these reports can be a valuable tool to scrutinize performance and assess agency goals. However, with the passage of time, reporting requirements can become outdated, unnecessary, or duplicative.

Congress and the executive branch have recognized that improved coordination across the Federal Government benefits both the taxpayer and the government. In 2010, Congress passed the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act. That act requires the Office of Management and Budget to publish a list of plans or reports that are produced by the executive branch pursuant to congressional mandate. The act also requires the administration to identify potentially outdated or duplicative plans and reports, and to provide views on whether they should be eliminated.

In January 2013 the Office of Management and Budget produced a list of more than 300 plans and reports that are potentially outdated or duplicative. Majority and minority staffs of our committee worked together to review this list. During this process, the

views of all other committees of jurisdiction were also considered. A similar process occurred in the Senate.

H.R. 4194, as amended, would eliminate the statutory requirements to prepare reports that are produced by 17 different Federal agencies. Implementing H.R. 4194 would reduce the administrative costs of these agencies by reducing the number of reports that must be prepared and printed. The Congressional Budget Office has estimated that implementing the bill would save about \$1 million over the next 5 years. H.R. 4194 provides for greater efficiency and a more effective Federal Government.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, this is a good bill. It is worth the time we have put into discussing it. I thank Majority Leader KEVIN MCCARTHY for his support on this bill, and I think this is a special opportunity to thank Congressmen WOODALL and CONNOLLY for their support as original cosponsors on this bill.

It is amazing to me that you can have dozens and dozens of reports senselessly coming back from the administration that are not being read, not needed, are obsolete, and when you point it out, there is no objection whatsoever to eliminating them. I think that is exactly the situation we have here.

I look forward to working with the majority and minority leaders' offices to make sure that this is an annual event until we reach a point where there are zero pieces of reports coming to the Congress that are unread, unused, or unnecessary.

With that, I urge passage of this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume, and I just wanted to join the chairman in his remarks about this bill. This bill is the quintessential efficiency bill. We have been doing the same thing over and over again until the chairman got the bright idea that maybe we should start doing this. I think we are in for more efficiency as more Federal agencies go through the same process.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, once again, I urge support for the bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 4194.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the yeas have it.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

PRESIDENTIAL AND FEDERAL RECORDS ACT AMENDMENTS OF 2014

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1233) to amend chapter 22 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Presidential Records Act, to establish procedures for the consideration of claims of constitutionally based privilege against disclosure of Presidential records, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the Senate amendment is as follows:

Senate amendment:

(1) On page 5, line 7, strike [of] and insert on.
(2) On page 10 from line 8 through page 11 line 1, strike all and insert:

(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The President, the Vice President, or a covered employee may not create or send a Presidential or Vice Presidential record using a non-official electronic message account unless the President, Vice President, or covered employee—*

(1) *copies an official electronic messaging account of the President, Vice President, or covered employee in the original creation or transmission of the Presidential record or Vice Presidential record; or*

(2) *forwards a complete copy of the Presidential or Vice Presidential record to an official electronic messaging account of the President, Vice President, or covered employee not later than 20 days after the original creation or transmission of the Presidential or Vice Presidential record.*

(b) *ADVERSE ACTIONS.*—*The intentional violation of subsection (a) by a covered employee (including any rules, regulations, or other implementing guidelines), as determined by the appropriate supervisor, shall be a basis for disciplinary action in accordance with subchapter I, II, or V of chapter 75 of title 5, as the case may be.*

(c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

(1) *COVERED EMPLOYEE.*—*The term “covered employee” means—*

(A) *the immediate staff of the President;*

(B) *the immediate staff of the Vice President;*

(C) *a unit or individual of the Executive Office of the President whose function is to advise and assist the President; and*

(D) *a unit or individual of the Office of the Vice President whose function is to advise and assist the Vice President.*

(3) On page 11, line 2, strike [1] and insert 2.

(4) On page 11, line 6, strike [2] and insert 3.

(5) On page 11, line 9 through line 11, strike everything up to the first period.

(6) On page 31, line 8, strike [within five days] and insert *not later than 20 days.*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. CUMMINGS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, we are here today to consider the Senate amendment to H.R. 1233, the Presidential and Federal Records Act Amendments of 2014. This bill was introduced by the ranking member, who I see is here today, and was first passed by the House on January 14 of this year. It was passed by a vote of 420-0. Let not a unanimous vote belie the fact that the ranking member worked hard to find consensus within the House and to make sure that this was a well-reasoned and, in fact, tailored piece of legislation.

The Senate, as it often does, did make some changes, but ultimately this bill, H.R. 1233, which would codify existing executive order and allows former Presidents to appeal to incumbent Presidents to keep certain Presidential documents privileged under the Presidential Records Act, is the good work of Mr. CUMMINGS.

This bill would lock into statute a process established by President Reagan in 1989. In 2009, President Obama restored this by executive order. However, like anything that the Congress has observed for a long time that is being done by executive order, the question is: Should it be on the whim of the next President, or should it, in fact, be something which statutorily is part of the Presidential Records Act, which was a statute created by Congress?

I think particularly important is the fact that Mr. CUMMINGS recognizes that past Presidents, including President Clinton and, of course, President George W. Bush, do, in fact, have a number of things that occurred on their watch which remain sensitive today.

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Allowing the standing of these individuals and the oversight of the current President is a good middle ground, and it is one that balances the needs of the public, something that Mr. CUMMINGS and I feel strongly about, that transparency and freedom of information and access is important.

At the same time, we recognize that there are times when a secret must remain a secret, an action must remain an action. It doesn't change the fact that Congress may have an interest or the American people might prevail.

This bill does, rightfully so and on a unanimous basis now in the House and the Senate, codify historic Federal recordkeeping. We believe it is good.

I want to take a moment to thank Mr. CUMMINGS personally for his hard work. He not only championed the bill, but he worked well in the Senate to make sure it came back to us today.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CUMMINGS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I introduced the bill we are considering today, the Presidential and Federal Records Act Amendments, to give the American people access to records Presidents create while they are in office.

I appreciate, first of all, the kind words of the chairman, and I appreciate the support this bill has received from him, Chairman ISSA, as well as the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman TOM CARPER.

The House passed this legislation in January by a vote of 420-0. This bill also passed the Senate with no opposition. There are not many bills that make it through both House and Senate without even a hint of opposition, but this is one of them.

When the Senate passed the House bill, it made technical changes that require us to pass the bill again. I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting this bill again, so that we can send it to the President for his signature.

The bill will amend the Presidential Records Act by adding procedures to ensure that the records of Presidents and their senior advisers are released to the public in a timely manner.

Under current law, Presidents can restrict access to their records for up to 12 years after they leave office. After that time, Presidents may continue to restrict access to their records by asserting that they are protected by executive privilege.

Under this bill, the records of current and former Presidents will continue to be protected for 12 years after they leave office. After that period, however, the bill would create a presumption of disclosure, and Presidents would have up to 90 days to object or those records would be automatically released.

In other words, when records are requested more than 12 years after a President leaves office, this bill would place the burden on the President to review those records and either assert executive privilege or allow them to be publicly disclosed.

This legislation would not impact the ability of Presidents to review their records before they are released. The legislation also would not impact the ability of Presidents to protect records because of national security concerns.

The bill has also been amended to address an issue raised by the White House. In the original version of this bill, Presidents would have had 40 days to review records. Based on bipartisan, bicameral negotiations, the current version of the bill now extends that review period to 90 days.

The Presidential and Federal Records Act Amendments would also require that any assertion of a privilege by a former President be affirmed by the incumbent President or through a court order for the record to be withheld from the public. This will provide an important check to ensure that Presidents cannot keep their records secret without accountability.

The bill also includes language based on an amendment that Chairman DARELL ISSA proposed during the committee markup of the bill to address the use of personal email by Federal employees, and that amendment makes the bill even better.

This bill would continue to allow employees to use their personal email account for official business when necessary, but it would require employees to copy their official email account or forward their email to their official account.

The Presidential and Federal Records Act Amendments updates the Federal Records Act to modernize the definition of what constitutes a record and to allow agencies to use digital reproductions when they are required to indefinitely maintain copies of documents.

Finally, this bill is an important step forward in protecting our historical record. I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 1233 and send it on to the President's desk.

Again, I want to thank the chairman of the committee for your cooperation working with me over a good bit of time to bring this to the floor. I really appreciate it.

I urge all of our Members to vote in favor of this bill. I think it is a good bill. It has been made better because we had the input of both sides of the aisle and not only both sides of the aisle, but also the Senate.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

In closing, I just want to hit two points that I think are noteworthy.

Historically, agencies kept their records for 30 years, the presumption they would keep them for 30 years before turning them over to the National Archives.

With the ranking member's assistance, this piece of legislation also eliminates that presumption. We, as a committee, felt very strongly that the sooner an agency turns over its records to the Archivist, the sooner they are broadly available and the better off it is.

In an electronic era, where it is a push of one button to transfer data, this piece of legislation not only eliminates that presumption, but highly encourages data be transferred, rather than mountains of paper or what is called a PDF, a print to file, if you will.

This is a significant improvement and something that minority and majority were able to work on together, along with the Archivist who was personally involved in this.

Lastly, I owe a debt of gratitude to the ranking member. In this bill, the amendment he mentioned is included, but the ranking member also signed on to a letter asking that H.R. 5170 be taken up by the Senate, a more explicit attempt to change the recordkeeping outside of official use within the government.

This has been an area in which multiple different Cabinet positions under multiple Presidents have found themselves with some very embarrassing failure to store and maintain the data.

At the end of the day, I am confident that our committee, under the ranking member and under the chairman that will likely replace me, will continue this effort, make sure that the American people know that if a covered individual is required to keep a record of his or her transactions and emails, that it will, in fact, be in the record and available, not just for Congress, but eventually for the American people to see. We believe that this is an important part of government transparency.

Again, I want to thank the ranking member who personally signed on and will continue, on behalf of the committee, to make sure that the American people get the full benefit of all records that are, in fact, created under any administration.

Mr. Speaker, with that, I urge support for this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 1233.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate amendment was concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAMS REAUTHORIZATION

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5266) to reauthorize the National Estuary Programs, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 5266

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. COMPETITIVE AWARDS.

Section 320(g) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330(g)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(4) COMPETITIVE AWARDS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount made available under subsection (i)(2)(B), the Administrator shall make competitive awards under this paragraph.

“(B) APPLICATION FOR AWARDS.—The Administrator shall solicit applications for awards under this paragraph from State, interstate, and regional water pollution control agencies and entities, State coastal zone management agencies, interstate agencies, other public or non-profit private agencies, institutions, organizations, and individuals.

“(C) SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS.—In selecting award recipients under this paragraph, the Administrator shall select recipients that are best able to address urgent and challenging issues that threaten the ecological and economic well-being of coastal areas. Such issues shall include—

“(i) extensive seagrass habitat losses resulting in significant impacts on fisheries and water quality;

“(ii) recurring harmful algae blooms, unusual marine mammal mortalities;

“(iii) invasive exotic species which can threaten wastewater systems and cause other damage;

“(iv) jellyfish proliferation limiting community access to water during peak tourism seasons;

“(v) flooding which may be related to sea level rise or wetland degradation or loss; or

“(vi) low dissolved oxygen conditions in estuarine waters and related nutrient management.”.

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 320 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1330) is amended by striking subsection (i) and inserting the following:

“(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator \$27,000,000, for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2018 for—

“(A) expenses relating to the administration of grants or awards by the Administrator under this section, including the award and oversight of grants and awards, except that such expenses shall not exceed 5 percent of the amount appropriated under this subsection; and

“(B) making grants and awards under subsection (g).

“(2) ALLOCATIONS.—

“(A) CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The Administrator shall provide not less than 80 percent of the amounts made available for this section for each fiscal year referred to in paragraph (1) for the development, implementation, and monitoring of each conservation and management plan eligible for grant assistance under subsection (g)(2).

“(B) COMPETITIVE AWARDS.—The Administrator shall provide not less than 15 percent of the amounts made available for this section in each fiscal year to make competitive awards described in subsection (g)(4).”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. LOBIONDO) and the gentleman from New York (Mr. BISHOP) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on H.R. 5266.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

First, I want to thank Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. BISHOP, and Mr. LARSEN for helping me bring H.R. 5266, the National Estuary Programs Reauthorization, to the floor.

I also want to thank my colleagues, Mr. POSEY and Mr. MURPHY of Florida, in helping me get this legislation drafted and ushered through the committee in a bipartisan way.

This version of the National Estuary Programs Reauthorization is fiscally responsible by reducing the authorization levels by \$8 million, while ultimately increasing the amount of money each estuary program will receive. This reauthorization will detail

just how the EPA is to spend the authorized and appropriated money.

Unlike many programs under the Clean Water Act, the National Estuary Program is a nonregulatory program; instead, it is designed to support the collaborative voluntary efforts of Federal, State, and local stakeholders to restore degraded estuaries.

Unfortunately, National Estuary Programs have been losing money due to the EPA administrative costs. By setting limits of 5 percent for administrative costs for the EPA, we can guarantee 80 percent of the funding goes to the end user and the NEP and not bureaucratic salaries and red tape.

In this year's reauthorization, we have also set aside 15 percent of the funding for a competitive award program. This program will seek applications meant to deal with urgent and challenging issues that threaten the ecological and economic well-being of coastal areas.

By structuring how the money is spent and lowering authorization levels, this legislation strikes the right balance of fiscal and environmental responsibilities. I urge all Members to support H.R. 5266.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of H.R. 5266 to reauthorize appropriations for the National Estuary Program.

First, Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize my committee colleagues, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. LOBIONDO) and the gentleman from Washington (Mr. LARSEN), for introducing this legislation.

Our Nation's coasts and oceans provide a wealth of resources for the entire country, and among these areas, nowhere is more valuable than estuaries. Estuaries are bodies of water that receive both water from rivers and saltwater from the sea. This mix makes a unique environment that is extremely productive in terms of its ecosystem values.

Government studies have found that estuaries provide habitat for 75 percent of the U.S. commercial and 80 to 90 percent of the recreational fishing catches.

Perhaps the central problem in the protection and restoration of estuaries is that they ultimately lie downstream. Everything that enters the smallest stream, tributary, or headwater in a watershed eventually runs into a single outlet, impacting in some way all the biological elements of that ecosystem and all of the commerce that revolves around the estuary.

The First Congressional District of New York, which I have had the honor to represent, abuts two priority estuaries with the Environmental Protection Agency's National Estuary Program, the Peconic Bay and the Long Island Sound.

These unique waters are precious to the residents of Long Island, and their

continued health and vitality provide multiple benefits to the residents of Long Island and to the economic and environmental health of the region.

I am pleased that this legislation demonstrates the willingness of this Congress to move legislation that protects our water-related environment. The Federal seed money that comes from the EPA's National Estuary Program, when combined with other State and local resources, helps to implement locally-driven solutions to local water quality challenges.

In my view, if there are limits in the success of these programs, they are closely related to the availability of adequate restoration funds.

In the 111th Congress, I was the lead sponsor of another bill, H.R. 4715, the Clean Estuaries Act of 2010, that would have also authorized the National Estuary Program, however, at higher levels than contained in the current bill.

That legislation passed the House on a bipartisan basis and by an overwhelming margin; however, the Senate failed to ever act on that bill.

While H.R. 5266 does represent a significant reduction in the authorization of appropriations for this important program, I commend the bipartisan sponsors of this legislation for ensuring that the new authorization shows some room to increase the funding of these locally-driven restoration efforts, rather than simply cutting those efforts.

Too often these days, we seem driven to cut Federal spending for programs that provide real benefit to our Nation without an awareness of the consequences of these actions.

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I can only hope that in the years to come this Chamber will recognize that there are places where the Federal Government can help and should be making increased investments, such as to repair our crumbling infrastructure or to protect our fragile natural environment.

These are only some of the ongoing challenges that face this Nation, and we need a Congress that is serious about taking on the hard questions and about making the right investments, not only for our lives and livelihoods, but for those generations of Americans to come.

Mr. Speaker, again, I support the passage of H.R. 5266, and I urge my colleagues to also support this bill.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I am now pleased to yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. POSEY).

Mr. POSEY. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I, again, want to thank Congressman LOBIONDO for his work on this National Estuary Program and this legislation to reauthorize this important program for another 5 years.

Thank you also for working with me on provisions for my bill, which I introduced with Representative MURPHY of Florida—H.R. 5117, the Estuary Urgent

Needs Priority Program. Our provision establishes a competitive awards program for estuaries to help prioritize funding to estuaries facing urgent needs. It does so without spending any additional money. We simply reprioritize and require all money appropriated from Congress for estuaries to actually be spent on estuaries.

Mr. Speaker, the National Estuary Program encourages communities to work toward having healthy estuaries by providing annual base grants for projects to improve and to monitor the quality of their water and the species that live in them. Healthy estuaries provide a diverse home for flora and fauna. Estuaries also provide for countless hours of recreational enjoyment and billions of dollars in economic impact.

My congressional district is home to one of the most diverse estuaries in the country, if not in the world—the Indian River Lagoon. Our lagoon's natural beauty has always been central to our community as a key to improving our quality of life, as a recreational area for fishing and boating with friends and family, and as a significant contributor to our local economy. I raised my family along this 156-mile lagoon, and I know firsthand how important this legislation is to making our local estuary program a success.

We have all seen the adverse consequences of sea grass loss and harmful algae blooms. The opportunity to compete for additional funding, which this bill provides, would be a valuable tool in combating the types of issues we have seen in our estuary. The bill before us redirects money away from the EPA's Washington bureaucracy and toward actual projects and initiatives across the Nation's estuaries.

I encourage my colleagues to support this legislation so that we can continue the great work that the NEP provides as it facilitates estuary protection and restoration initiatives.

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Washington (Mr. LARSEN), my friend.

Mr. LARSEN of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 5266, the reauthorizing of the National Estuary Program.

I want to thank Mr. GIBBS and Mr. BISHOP on the subcommittee and, of course, my colleague whom I share the Aviation Subcommittee with, Mr. LOBIONDO, for their leadership on getting this bill to the floor.

Mr. Speaker, estuaries are a critical habitat for salmon, birds, and many other species in the Pacific Northwest, where we know that protecting our natural resources is good for our environment and good for our economy.

My district borders on Puget Sound, which is our country's second largest estuary and is a key driver of our economy in Washington State. Trade, fishing, tourism, and outdoor recreation in our region create and sustain thousands of jobs, and all of these activities

are dependent on a healthy Puget Sound. I have long supported estuary restoration in the Puget Sound region, including projects like the Qwuloolt Estuary Restoration Project, which will be the largest tidal marsh restoration project ever completed in Washington State.

Estuary restoration can also be a key component for absorbing carbon emissions and increasing resiliency to the effects of climate change. A recent study of the Snohomish Estuary, in my district, found that currently planned and in-construction restoration projects will result in at least 2.55 million tons of CO₂ sequestered from the atmosphere over the next 100 years. That is the equivalent of a year's worth of emissions from a half a million automobiles. This bill is important. It is important for all of us.

I want to thank my colleague again, Mr. LOBIONDO, for his hard work on this legislation. I look forward to continuing our productive bipartisan relationship on this and on many other issues. I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 5266.

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I continue to reserve the balance of my time, but I do not have any more speakers.

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I thought I had one more speaker, but he is not here, so I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, again, I thank my colleagues Mr. BISHOP, Mr. LARSEN, Mr. SHUSTER, and Mr. GIBBS. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in supporting this important legislation.

I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. LOBIONDO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5266, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CLIFFORD P. HANSEN FEDERAL COURTHOUSE CONVEYANCE ACT

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 1934) to direct the Administrator of General Services to convey the Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse to Teton County, Wyoming.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 1934

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse Conveyance Act".

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term "Administrator" means the Administrator of General Services.

(2) COUNTY.—The term "County" means Teton County, Wyoming.

(3) COURTHOUSE.—The term "Courthouse" means—

(A) the parcel of land located at 145 East Simpson Street, Jackson, Wyoming; and

(B) the building located on the land described in subparagraph (A), which is known as the "Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse".

SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE OF FEDERAL COURTHOUSE TO TETON COUNTY, WYOMING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Administrator shall offer to convey to the County all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the Courthouse.

(b) CONSIDERATION.—In exchange for the conveyance of the Courthouse to the County under this Act, the Administrator shall require the County to pay to the Administrator—

(1) nominal consideration for the parcel of land described in section 2(3)(A); and

(2) subject to subsection (c), consideration in an amount equal to the fair market value of the building described in section 2(3)(B), as determined based on an appraisal of the building that is acceptable to the Administrator.

(c) CREDITS.—In lieu of all or a portion of the amount of consideration for the building described in section 2(3)(B), the Administrator may accept as consideration for the conveyance of the building under subsection (b)(2) any credits or waivers against lease payments, amounts expended by the County under facility maintenance agreements, or other charges for the continued occupancy or use by the Federal Government of the building.

(d) RESTRICTIONS ON USE.—The deed for the conveyance of the Courthouse to the County under this Act shall include a covenant that provides that the Courthouse will be used for public use purposes.

(e) COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—The County shall be responsible for paying—

(1) the costs of an appraisal conducted under subsection (b)(2); and

(2) any other costs relating to the conveyance of the Courthouse under this Act.

(f) PROCEEDS.—

(1) DEPOSIT.—Any net proceeds received by the Administrator as a result of the conveyance under this Act, as applicable, shall be paid into the Federal Buildings Fund established under section 592 of title 40, United States Code.

(2) EXPENDITURE.—Amounts paid into the Federal Buildings Fund under paragraph (1) shall be available to the Administrator, in amounts specified in appropriations Acts, for expenditure for any lawful purpose consistent with existing authorities granted to the Administrator.

(g) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Administrator may establish such additional terms and conditions with respect to the conveyance under this Act as the Administrator considers to be appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS) and the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. CARSON) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on S. 1934.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

S. 1934 would direct the GSA to convey property in Wyoming to Teton County, Wyoming, for fair market value.

The land was originally donated to the Federal Government by the county for the purposes of a courthouse. However, since built, the courthouse has rarely been used by the Federal judiciary, and no other Federal use has been identified for this building.

The bill would sell the building to the county for fair market value for the purposes of a county courthouse and county courthouse functions. Selling this property for fair market value will ensure that the taxpayers receive the best return on the property, and it will provide for the continued public use of the facility.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of S. 1934, introduced by Senator JOHN BARRASSO.

It directs the Administrator of the General Services Administration to transfer the Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse and the land underneath to Teton County, Wyoming.

The GSA has indicated to the committee that the agency has no need for the facility. This directed sale supports the GSA's efforts to downsize and dispose of underutilized properties. However, this bill breaks with precedent. Although the local municipality is required to pay for the fair market value of the building, the bill directs the land underneath the building to be sold for a nominal value. Typically, the building and the land underneath would all be valued at a fair market value when being sold.

The committee has consistently upheld the bipartisan principle that taxpayers are entitled to the full value of their assets in any sale. Nevertheless, the committee is supporting this unusual transaction because the underlying land was originally donated to the GSA by the local municipality, which is why I am supporting selling the land back to them for a nominal value.

The bill provides taxpayers with further protections, Mr. Speaker. The legislation requires that the future use of this property be restricted to public purposes. I urge the GSA to interpret this language consistent with restrictions typically used by the GSA when considering land transfers for public purposes under title 40.

I continue to support efforts to shrink the Federal footprint where appropriate while protecting taxpayer interests, and I urge Members to approve this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for his support of this legislation.

I concur with him that, in terms of setting a precedent, that is not something that we want to do. This has a unique set of circumstances in which the county actually had conveyed the property to the Federal Government at no cost. Certainly, I would agree with my colleague opposite that we need to make sure that taxpayers get the best return and that this does not set a precedent.

Mr. Speaker, I would urge all of my colleagues to support this legislation on behalf of the American taxpayers.

I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 1934.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, FEDERAL LAND CONVEYANCE ACT OF 2013

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 898) to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 898

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Albuquerque, New Mexico, Federal Land Conveyance Act of 2013".

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term "Administrator" means the Administrator of General Services.

(2) FEDERAL LAND.—The term "Federal land" means the real property located in Albuquerque, New Mexico, that, as determined by the Administrator, subject to survey, generally consists of lots 12 through 19, and for the westerly boundary, the portion of either lot 19 or 20 which is the outside west wall of the basement level of the Old Post Office building, and which has a municipal address of 123 Fourth Street, SW, in Block 18, New Mexico Town Company's Original Townsite, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

(3) FOUNDATION.—The term "Foundation" means the Amy Biehl High School Foundation.

SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, TO THE AMY BIEHL HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION.

(a) CONVEYANCE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall offer to convey to the Foundation, by quitclaim deed, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the Federal land.

(b) CONSIDERATION.—As consideration for conveyance of the Federal land under subsection (a), the Administrator shall require the Foundation to pay to the Administrator consideration in an amount equal to the fair market value of the Federal land, as determined based on an appraisal that is acceptable to the Administrator.

(c) COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—The Foundation shall be responsible for paying—

(1) the costs of an appraisal conducted under subsection (b); and

(2) any other costs relating to the conveyance of the Federal land under this Act.

(d) PROCEEDS.—

(1) DEPOSIT.—Net proceeds received under subsection (b) shall be paid into the Federal Buildings Fund established under section 592 of title 40, United States Code.

(2) EXPENDITURE.—Amounts paid into the Federal Buildings Fund under paragraph (1) shall be available to the Administrator, in amounts specified in appropriations Acts, for expenditure for any lawful purpose consistent with existing authorities granted to the Administrator, except that the Administrator shall provide to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate 30 days advance written notice of any expenditure of the proceeds.

(e) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Administrator may require that any conveyance under subsection (a) be subject to such additional terms and conditions as the Administrator considers appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

(f) DEADLINE.—The conveyance of the Federal land under this Act shall occur not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS) and the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. CARSON) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on S. 898.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

S. 898 would direct the GSA to convey property in New Mexico to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation for fair market value.

The Amy Biehl High School is a public charter school that has been using the building since 2006. While the school currently leases the facility from the General Services Administration, the GSA only receives a nominal rent, making it more costly to the taxpayers to maintain the property. In fact, the Amy Biehl Foundation has invested funds to renovate and restore the building for use as a school. The GSA has determined that there is no Federal need for the property, and it has concluded that the cost of managing the building exceeds any revenue. Selling this property for fair market value will ensure that taxpayers receive the best return on the property.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of S. 898.

S. 898 directs the Administrator of the GSA to transfer the old Federal post office in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation in exchange for its fair market value.

The Amy Biehl High School is a public charter school that is sponsored by the foundation that was founded in 1999 and has been residing in the Old Post Office building since 2006. Currently, the public charter school has a long-term lease agreement with the GSA for a nominal rent. The GSA has indicated to the committee that the agency has no need for the facility and that this directed sale supports the GSA's efforts to downsize and dispose of underutilized properties.

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My own subcommittee has approved a nearly identical bill.

Now, Mr. Speaker, I would also like to acknowledge the memory of Amy Biehl. Ms. Biehl was a 26-year-old Fulbright Scholar working in South Africa when she was tragically attacked and killed in 1993. In the aftermath, Amy's parents, Linda and Peter Biehl, started a foundation to build on their daughter's work toward peace, reconciliation, and multiculturalism in South Africa. The new school, which is located in New Mexico, builds on this great work.

Now, approving this bill to transfer the building at its fair market value will promote Amy's legacy and benefit the taxpayers. I will continue to support efforts by both the committee and the administration to reduce our Federal footprint.

I support this bill, Mr. Speaker, and I urge my colleagues to approve it.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the gentleman for his support in a bipartisan manner and for reminding us all of the importance of this legacy, not only the vision of why this school was created but the importance of that mission. It is certainly a pleasure to work in a bipartisan way with the gentleman.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentlelady from New Mexico, Madam LUJAN GRISHAM.

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my colleagues, both Representative CARSON from Indiana and my colleague from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS), for their support on S. 898. As you have just heard, this is a companion bill to a nearly identical bill, my bill H.R. 3998, which passed this body on June 17.

Now, we have also heard that this bill is to sell a Federal building at fair

market value which costs more in its current lease arrangement than it does in this transaction and arrangement. You have also heard that this is an incredible school, memorializing an incredible legacy.

But what you haven't heard today is that the foundation has raised more than \$3 million to continue to invest not only in the purchase of the building but to expand their educational footprint in New Mexico.

In my district in Albuquerque, we have difficulties reaching out to a high-poverty, high at-risk high school group. This school has incredible outcomes. They are seeing a 100 percent graduation rate, 80 percent graduation rates out of college; and of that 80 percent, nearly all of those students continue a very aggressive community relationship. Part of this school's requirement is that not only do you meet your basic high school curriculum but you have to invest considerably in community work in a variety of non-profit and charitable work.

I want to also give a special thanks and extend my gratitude to Senator TOM UDALL for working with me on this bill and to Chairman SHUSTER and Ranking Member RAHALL for their help in bringing the legislation to the floor.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill that helps the Amy Biehl High School to continue to provide Albuquerque students with a first-rate education while also preserving a historic piece of downtown Albuquerque.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I will continue to reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to my good friend from Florida, Representative MURPHY.

Mr. MURPHY of Florida. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I support the bill before us and appreciate the hard work of my colleagues to bring it to the floor.

Today I join my colleagues in speaking in support of reauthorizing the National Estuary Program because our local economy on the Treasure Coast and Palm Beaches rely on healthy water.

This important program helps protect and improve some of our Nation's most at-risk waterways, including the Indian River Lagoon located in the district I am proud to represent, which has been devastated by toxic algae in recent years, negatively impacting not only the health of this unique ecosystem but also our local economy.

The National Estuary Program funds local projects that help improve water quality, protect threatened species, and coordinate local agencies to respond to other urgent needs.

In our own backyard, these projects include wetland restoration, shellfish rehabilitation, freshwater discharge management, and other approaches that benefit the health of our local waterways on the Treasure Coast and across the Nation.

I am very pleased to see a competitive award program included in this bill that I proposed, along with the gentleman from Florida (Mr. POSEY), to help estuaries most at risk where re-occurring harmful algal blooms, sea grass loss, and invasive species are threatening the fragile ecology of these important water systems.

I hope my colleagues will continue to support this effective program not only because of its benefits to sustaining important estuaries across the country but also due to the urgent need to address the serious problems facing many of these waterways, including the Indian River Lagoon, the most diverse estuary in the United States.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the House for coming together and acting so swiftly to reauthorize this bipartisan and cost-effective bill that is necessary for our country's coastal ecosystems and the economies that rely on their well-being. I hope the Senate will act expeditiously to do the same.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time at this point, and I am prepared to close.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MEADOWS. I thank the gentleman for his bipartisan effort to make sure that this important piece of legislation gets passed, and I urge all of my colleagues to support it.

With that, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 898.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1830

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HULTGREN) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

GOVERNMENT REPORTS ELIMINATION ACT OF 2014

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 4194) to provide for the elimination or

modification of Federal reporting requirements, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. Issa) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 382, nays 0, not voting 49, as follows:

[Roll No. 516]

YEAS—382

Aderholt	Davis, Rodney	Hultgren
Amash	DeFazio	Hunter
Amodei	DeGette	Hurt
Bachmann	Delaney	Israel
Barber	DeLauro	Issa
Barr	DelBene	Jeffries
Barrow (GA)	Denham	Jenkins
Barton	Dent	Johnson (GA)
Bass	DeSantis	Johnson (OH)
Beatty	DesJarlais	Johnson, E. B.
Becerra	Deutch	Jolly
Bentivolio	Diaz-Balart	Jones
Bera (CA)	Dingell	Jordan
Bilirakis	Doggett	Joyce
Bishop (GA)	Doyle	Kaptur
Bishop (NY)	Duffy	Keating
Bishop (UT)	Duncan (SC)	Kelly (IL)
Black	Duncan (TN)	Kelly (PA)
Blackburn	Edwards	Kennedy
Blumenauer	Ellison	Kildee
Bonamici	Ellmers	Kilmer
Boustany	Engel	King (IA)
Brady (PA)	Eshoo	King (NY)
Brady (TX)	Esty	Kingston
Bridenstine	Farenthold	Kinzinger (IL)
Brooks (AL)	Farr	Kirkpatrick
Brooks (IN)	Fattah	Kline
Broun (GA)	Fincher	Kuster
Brown (FL)	Fitzpatrick	LaMalfa
Brownley (CA)	Fleischmann	Lamborn
Buchanan	Fleming	Lance
Bucshon	Flores	Langevin
Burgess	Forbes	Lankford
Bustos	Fortenberry	Larsen (WA)
Butterfield	Foster	Larson (CT)
Byrne	Fox	Latham
Calvert	Frankel (FL)	Latta
Camp	Franks (AZ)	Levin
Capito	Frelinghuysen	Lewis
Capps	Fudge	Lipinski
Capuano	Gabbard	LoBiondo
Cardenas	Gallagher	Loeb
Carney	Garamendi	Lofgren
Carson (IN)	Gardner	Long
Carter	Garrett	Lowenthal
Cartwright	Gibbs	Lowey
Castor (FL)	Gibson	Lucas
Castro (TX)	Gingrey (GA)	Luetkemeyer
Chabot	Gohmert	Lujan Grisham
Chaffetz	Goodlatte	(NM)
Chu	Gosar	Lujan, Ben Ray
Cicilline	Granger	(NM)
Clark (MA)	Graves (GA)	Lynch
Clarke (NY)	Grayson	Maffei
Clawson (FL)	Green, Gene	Maloney, Sean
Clay	Griffin (AR)	Marino
Cleaver	Griffith (VA)	Massie
Clyburn	Grimm	Matheson
Coble	Guthrie	Matsui
Coffman	Gutiérrez	McCarthy (CA)
Cohen	Hahn	McCarthy (NY)
Cole	Hanabusa	McCaul
Collins (GA)	Hanna	McClintock
Collins (NY)	Harper	McCollum
Conaway	Harris	McDermott
Connolly	Hartzler	McGovern
Conyers	Hastings (FL)	McHenry
Cook	Hastings (WA)	McIntyre
Cooper	Heck (NV)	McKeon
Cotton	Heck (WA)	McKinley
Courtney	Hensarling	McMorris
Cramer	Herrera Beutler	Rodgers
Crawford	Higgins	Meadows
Crenshaw	Himes	Meehan
Crowley	Holding	Meeks
Cuellar	Holt	Meng
Culberson	Horsford	Messer
Cummings	Hoyer	Mica
Daines	Hudson	Michaud
Davis (CA)	Huelskamp	Miller (FL)
Davis, Danny	Huizenga (MI)	Miller (MI)

Miller, George	Roby	Stewart
Moore	Roe (TN)	Stivers
Mullin	Rogers (AL)	Stockman
Mulvaney	Rogers (KY)	Stutzman
Murphy (FL)	Rogers (MI)	Takano
Murphy (PA)	Rokita	Terry
Nadler	Rooney	Thompson (MS)
Napolitano	Ros-Lehtinen	Thompson (PA)
Neal	Roskam	Thornberry
Negrete McLeod	Ross	Tierney
Noem	Rothfus	Titus
Nolan	Roybal-Allard	Tonko
Nugent	Royce	Tsongas
Nunes	Ruiz	Turner
Nunnelee	Runyan	Upton
O'Rourke	Ruppersberger	Valadao
Olson	Ryan (OH)	Van Hollen
Owens	Ryan (WI)	Vargas
Palazzo	Salmon	Veasey
Pallone	Sánchez, Linda	Vela
Pascarella	T.	Velázquez
Paulsen	Sanford	Visclosky
Payne	Sarbanes	Wagner
Pearce	Scalise	Walberg
Pelosi	Schakowsky	Walden
Perlmutter	Schiff	Walorski
Perry	Schneider	Walz
Peters (CA)	Schock	Wasserman
Peters (MI)	Schrader	Schultz
Peterson	Schwartz	Waters
Petri	Schweikert	Waxman
Pittenger	Scott (VA)	Weber (TX)
Pitts	Scott, Austin	Webster (FL)
Pocan	Scott, David	Welch
Poe (TX)	Sensenbrenner	Wenstrup
Polis	Serrano	Westmoreland
Pompeo	Sessions	Whitfield
Posey	Sewell (AL)	Williams
Price (GA)	Shea-Porter	Wilson (FL)
Price (NC)	Sherman	Wilson (SC)
Quigley	Shimkus	Wittman
Rahall	Simpson	Womack
Rangel	Sinema	Woodall
Reed	Slaughter	Yarmuth
Reichert	Smith (MO)	Yoder
Renacci	Smith (NE)	Yoho
Rice (SC)	Smith (TX)	Young (AK)
Rigell	Southerland	Young (IN)

NOT VOTING—49

Bachus	Honda	Pingree (ME)
Barletta	Huffman	Ribble
Bentley	Jackson Lee	Richmond
Braley (IA)	Johnson, Sam	Rohrabacher
Campbell	Kind	Rush
Cassidy	Labrador	Sánchez, Loretta
Costa	Lee (CA)	Shuster
Duckworth	Lummis	Sires
Enyart	Maloney,	Smith (NJ)
Garcia	Carolyn	Smith (WA)
Gerlach	Marchant	Speier
Gowdy	McAllister	Swalwell (CA)
Graves (MO)	McNerney	Thompson (CA)
Green, Al	Miller, Gary	Tiberi
Grijalva	Moran	Tipton
Hall	Neugebauer	Wolf
Hinojosa	Pastor (AZ)	

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Mr. TERRY changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate amendment was concurred in.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I missed the following vote: Senate Amendment to H.R. 4194—Government Reports Elimination Act. Had I been present, I would have voted “yes” on this bill.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 6, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from the Honorable Kimberly M. Guadagno, New Jersey Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Donald W. Norcross was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, State of New Jersey.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.

Enclosure.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Trenton, NJ, November 6, 2014.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of New Jersey, show that Donald W. Norcross received 85,923 of the total number of votes cast for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Donald W. Norcross was elected as Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of New Jersey.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified, to this office by the Burlington, Camden and Gloucester County Clerks involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

KIMBERLY M. GUADAGNO,
Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 5, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Ms. Kim Strach, Executive Director of the North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Alma Adams was elected Representative to Congress for the Twelfth Congressional District, State of North Carolina.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.

Enclosure.

NORTH CAROLINA
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS,
Raleigh, NC, November 5, 2014.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise that the unofficial results of the Special Election

held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for Representative in Congress from the Twelfth Congressional District of North Carolina show, that Alma Adams received 126,766 votes or 75.41% of the total number of votes cast for that office. Provisional ballots have not been counted.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Alma Adams was elected as Representative in Congress from the Twelfth Congressional District of North Carolina.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all counties involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

KIM STRACH,
Executive Director.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 5, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Mr. Edgardo Cortés, Commissioner, Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Dave A. Brat was elected Representative to Congress for the Seventh Congressional District, Commonwealth of Virginia.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.

Enclosure.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS,
Richmond, VA, November 5, 2014.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk, House of Representatives, The Capitol,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for Representative in Congress from the Seventh Congressional District of Virginia, show that Dave A. Brat received 148,710 or 61.8% of the total number of votes cast for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Dave A. Brat was elected as Representative in Congress from the Seventh Congressional District of Virginia.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all ten of the Virginia jurisdictions involved in the Seventh Congressional District Special Election, an official Certification of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Best Regards,

EDGARDO CORTÉS,
Commissioner.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE DONALD W. NORCROSS, OF NEW JERSEY, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman

from New Jersey, the Honorable DONALD W. NORCROSS, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE ALMA S. ADAMS, OF NORTH CAROLINA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentlewoman from North Carolina, the Honorable ALMA S. ADAMS, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

Her certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to her election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

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SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE DAVE BRAT, OF VIRGINIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Virginia, the Honorable DAVE BRAT, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS-ELECT

The SPEAKER. Will the Representatives-elect please present themselves in the well.

Mr. NORCROSS of New Jersey, Ms. ADAMS of North Carolina, and Mr. BRAT of Virginia appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are now Members of the 113th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE DONALD W. NORCROSS TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and welcome our new colleague to the New Jersey delegation, Congressman DONALD NORCROSS. Now, let me tell you that you will all learn to love DONALD NORCROSS the way I have.

He comes from a union background, and he is a fighter. He always fights for the little guy. He also is bipartisan. He wants to work with the Republican side to get legislation passed, as he did in the State senate, and he has the reputation in the State senate, where we chaired one of the committees, of actually passing legislation.

I just want you to get to know him well. As I said, you will learn to love him. He will be a great Congressman, and you will learn over the next few years how effective he can be.

Congratulations again, DONALD.

I yield to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. LOBIONDO).

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I join in with congratulations to DONALD NORCROSS. I have known DONALD for a number of years as a State legislator, and before that, we worked together at a local level.

DONALD will always put his constituents first. He will always put his district first. He will be a great asset to this Congress, and I look forward to working with you, DONALD. Congratulations.

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, Leader PELOSI, Congressman PALLONE, and certainly Congressman LOBIONDO and my colleagues from New Jersey. The young man who is standing next to me is my grandson, Donald III, who did an excellent job; and a special person in my life who allows me and keeps my life in order, my lovely wife, Andrea.

She is up there with my daughter, Corey; my son, Gregory; my son, Donald, Jr.; his wife, Jeanette; and my granddaughter, Natalie. It is great to have you here. And the one person who is truly the leader of my house is my mother, Carol. Hey, Ma.

And many friends, family, and supporters from New Jersey, including my three brothers, George, John, and Phil; and my extended brother, Robert—it is good to have you here.

To my extended family in labor who I have worked closely with over the past 25 years and certainly the supporters and volunteers who have worked with us over the past 10 months, many thanks.

Life always brings us so many twists and turns. You never know where you are going to be. I grew up in the profession as an electrician, and look where we are now, a Member of the House.

This is truly the American Dream, and I am proud to be a part of it, and I look forward to working with all of my colleagues on behalf of this great Nation and the people who live in it. Thank you very much.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE
ALMA S. ADAMS TO THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. COBLE) is recognized for 1 minute. There was no objection.

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, colleagues, Representative ADAMS has served our area in the North Carolina General Assembly in excess of two decades. In Raleigh, she is known as the "legislative lady with the hat."

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to present to you and to my colleagues the legislative lady with the hat, ALMA ADAMS from North Carolina.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. PRICE).

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I thank the dean of our delegation, HOWARD COBLE, for yielding, and I want to add to his words of introduction for our new colleague, ALMA ADAMS.

She was elected this past election to fill the unexpired term of our colleague Mel Watt, who has taken the leadership of the Federal Housing Finance Agency. She represents the 12th Congressional District of North Carolina.

ALMA ADAMS was born in High Point, North Carolina. She attended college at North Carolina A&T University. She got her Ph.D. from Ohio State University, and she became a teacher. She had a 40-year career as a professor at Bennett College in North Carolina.

ALMA ADAMS' career in politics began on the Greensboro school board. She served on the city council. She was appointed to the general assembly in 1994 by Governor Jim Hunt and then was elected in her own right for successive terms. She has had a distinguished term of service in our general assembly.

She is known for her unceasing desire to improve the lives of women and children and families. Her issues include domestic violence, teenage pregnancy, affordable health care, and public education. She chaired the Legislative Black Caucus. She also chaired the bipartisan Women's Legislative Caucus.

So ALMA ADAMS, my colleagues, comes to us very, very well-equipped to be a productive and constructive and cooperative Member of this body, and it is my honor and pleasure to introduce you to her tonight, ALMA ADAMS.

Ms. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, I thank Congressman COBLE, Congressman PRICE. As we all know, the journey to Congress is not made alone, and I could not have made it here without my faith, my family, and my friends.

So I want to take a moment to give special thanks to my mother who could not be here today; to my children, Billy, Jeanele; and my son-in-law, Ty; to my four grandchildren, one who is on the floor with me tonight; to my siblings; and to everyone who made the trip to share in this momentous occasion with me.

I stand here on the shoulders of the fearless women who shattered the glass

ceiling by coming to Congress and representing our country with pride, tenacity, and integrity. It is with great honor that I stand before you tonight as the 100th woman in the 113th Congress. The women who have served before me have proven that when women succeed, we all succeed.

As I traveled across the 12th Congressional District, I heard the calls for us to work together, to create jobs, invest in education, and to be a voice for the working men and women struggling to make ends meet.

I am answering their calls by pledging to work with the Members of the North Carolina delegation and each and every Member of this Chamber. To the people of the 12th Congressional District, 10 months of no representation stops now. I am here, and I am rolling up my sleeves, and I am getting to work.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE
DAVE BRAT TO THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) is recognized for 1 minute. There was no objection.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to welcome the newest Member of the House of Representatives from Virginia, Dr. DAVE BRAT of Glen Allen, Virginia, to this Chamber.

DAVE is joining this body as a new Member representing the Seventh District of Virginia. Over the past year, he has talked with his friends and neighbors about the challenges facing our Nation and what Congress can do to help grow our economy and help the private sector create jobs.

DAVE is uniquely positioned to work on issues related to American jobs and the economy. With an undergraduate degree in business administration and a Ph.D. in economics, his background in economic policy will help this body deal with the most pressing issues of the day.

For the past 18 years, DAVE has been a faculty member at Randolph-Macon College where he served as the chair of the department of economics. DAVE is also a strong family man and, with his wife, Laura, has two children.

Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to welcome DAVE to the United States House of Representatives. Joining us today are our fellow Members of the Virginia delegation who welcome you and look forward to working with you.

I now yield to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. SCOTT) for his welcoming remarks.

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to welcome Congressman DAVE BRAT to the people's House and to the Virginia delegation. Our congressional delegation has a long history of working together. Our former longtime dean, Senator John Warner, set the standard for working together in a constructive manner.

While we may not always agree on every issue, we will always try to work

together for what is best for Virginia and our Nation. It is the Virginia way.

DAVE will be replacing Majority Leader ERIC CANTOR, and at the end of this Congress, our delegation will also lose two of its more senior Members, FRANK WOLF and JIM MORAN.

With their departure, our delegation's clout may wane a bit, but I know it will be reinvigorated by new Members like Congressman BRAT, committed to working together for our Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, Dave comes to Congress after a career as an economics professor at Randolph-Macon College. He has been appointed to State boards and commissions by several Virginia Governors, including the Joint Advisory Board of Economists. I know he will put these experiences to good use.

I welcome DAVE and his family to Congress, and I look forward to working with him on issues critical to the Richmond region and the entire Commonwealth of Virginia.

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Mr. BRAT. Mr. Speaker, thank you to my new colleagues and thank you to the people of Virginia's Seventh District who have entrusted me with the honor of serving as their Representative, and many of them are with us tonight in the gallery. Thank you for coming.

We are proud that the Seventh District is the home of the father of the Constitution, James Madison, and the voice of the Revolution, Patrick Henry.

It has been a long road, and very few gave me a chance when the journey began. I want to thank my wife, Laura, and my children, Jonathan and Sophia, for believing in me. And I want to thank God, as this would not have been possible without His assistance along the way.

Throughout my campaign, as President Reagan said, I tried to appeal to people's best hopes and not their worst fears. I strived to elevate the dialogue and focus us on solutions, especially on the economic issues facing our country.

That is how I will approach the weighty responsibility with which I have been entrusted.

Thank you all, God bless you all, and may God continue to bless this great Nation.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlewoman from North Carolina, the gentleman from New Jersey, and the gentleman from Virginia, the whole number of the House is now 435.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF
H.R. 5682, APPROVAL OF THE
KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE

Mr. SESSIONS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report

(Rept. No. 113-617) on the resolution (H. Res. 748) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5682) to approve the Keystone XL pipeline, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

NDAA/MEPS ACT

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, today Congress returns to session with little time to complete business on a range of important matters, which is why I am calling on the Senate to take swift action on the National Defense Authorization Act.

The NDAA, which passed the House in May, authorizes policy for the Pentagon, and this year included reforms to ensure our troops are more adequately trained and equipped, both mentally and physically.

A recent Army study found that nearly half the soldiers who reported suicide attempts indicated their first attempt was prior to enlistment. And I am proud to say the House version of the NDAA includes provisions identical to the Medical Evaluation Parity for Servicemembers Act, or MEPS Act, that I introduced earlier in the year. That will help address this challenge.

The MEPS Act enables the Pentagon to establish a baseline to properly track changes in the servicemembers' behavioral health by instituting a requirement that all incoming troops undergo a mental health assessment upon enlistment.

It is time for the Senate to act on this bipartisan legislation that has the support of over 40 veterans' and military advocacy groups.

SIGMA GAMMA RHO FOUNDERS DAY

(Ms. KELLY of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my sorority, Sigma Gamma Rho, which today proudly celebrates 92 years of service.

Established in 1922 at Butler University, Sigma Gamma Rho engrained in me and countless women the value of public service. Sisters include former Congresswoman Lindy Boggs, the first woman to represent Louisiana; my colleague, the Honorable Congresswoman CORRINE BROWN of Florida; Hattie McDaniel, the first African American woman to receive an Academy Award; and our Grand Basileus, Bonitta Her-ring.

Sigma Gamma Rho played an integral role in the civil rights movement, as members fought to overturn Jim Crow laws and advance women's equality.

Today Sigma Gamma Rho continues their service in promoting education and awareness in communities on issues like health equality and financial literacy.

For 92 years, Sigma Gamma Rho has been on the front lines of making our Nation better through scholarship, sisterhood, and service. I am honored to be a part of this legacy and wish many more years of success to my sisters in Sigma Gamma Rho.

STUNNING CONTEMPT FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

(Mr. ROTHFUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROTHFUS. Mr. Speaker, everyone remembers the promise the President made while promoting his health care law: "If you like your health care plan, you can keep it." He broke his promise.

We just learned that one of the law's chief architects, Professor Jon Gruber, has come clean and admitted the deceit used to get the law passed. But Professor Gruber also revealed a stunning contempt for the American people. He called us stupid.

This reminds me of when Lucy was trying to get Charlie Brown to kick the football. Charlie says to Lucy, "I don't mind your dishonesty half as much as I mind your opinion of me."

In this case, Mr. Speaker, the American people mind both the administration's dishonesty and its opinion of them.

The professor now regrets his comments. But does he regret that my constituents, Don and Karen of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and millions of other Americans have lost their health care plan because of ObamaCare? Does he regret that steelworkers in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and countless others are seeing their health insurance premiums skyrocket?

More importantly, Mr. Speaker, does the President regret it?

IN HONOR OF VETERANS DAY

(Mrs. BEATTY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary service and selfless sacrifice of our Nation's veterans.

Each year, on the 11th day of the 11th month, we pause to pay tribute to our veterans, the men and women who served this country with honor and distinction.

To the almost 22 million veterans in the United States and the 43,000 veterans who live in my congressional district, I am here to say thank you for your service and sacrifice. You answered the call of service and never wavered.

Whether at home or abroad, whether at war or at times of peace, you kept our Nation safe and protected our freedoms. In gratitude and humility, it is now our turn to serve you, providing the benefits and the resources you deserve and earned.

RUSSIA INVADES UKRAINE

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, today, NATO's Commander Breedlove said in Bulgaria, "We have seen columns of Russian equipment, primarily Russian tanks, Russian artillery, Russian air defense systems, and Russian combat troops entering into Ukraine." In response, Ukraine has redeployed troops to the east to counter the insurgency. But these soldiers are severely under-supplied.

Ukraine had an election just a couple of weeks ago, the most transparent, the most free, and the most pro-Western election in history. But pro-Russian parliamentarians received less than 10 percent of the vote.

Today, once again, Ukraine faces war, as the ceasefire there collapsed as Russia attempts to reassert its influence by sinister and illegal means.

Ukraine's young soldiers don't have proper boots or weapons or defensive equipment. How many times must Ukraine be invaded before we call it an invasion?

I call upon the House to pass H.R. 5190, the bill I introduced with my fellow Ukrainian Caucus cochair, JIM GERLACH of Pennsylvania, to provide meaningful humanitarian aid and security assistance to Ukraine. The Senate has passed S. 2828 that does much the same.

Let us stop the advance of this tyranny in the new century. Liberty is calling. Let us measure up in this lameduck session.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE HOWARD COBLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. COLLINS of New York). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2013, the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the subject of my Special Order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, we are here tonight to pay tribute to the dean of the North Carolina delegation and our beloved colleague of many years, HOWARD COBLE.

HOWARD COBLE has been a dedicated public servant to the people of North Carolina and a champion for honest, effective government. For three decades, he has taken great care to represent the values and concerns of Sixth District residents.

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It is a profound honor to call HOWARD a dear friend, and it saddens me to

think about coming here in the next Congress without his wisdom or signature wit.

Wearing his trademark plaid jackets, HOWARD has been a champion for his constituents, whether in Washington or back in North Carolina. He never backed down from a challenge to do what was right for North Carolina and always pushed Washington to work better for those he represented.

Always ready with a cheerful greeting and a welcoming smile for whoever crossed his path, it is clear HOWARD cares about the little details that mean so much to average North Carolinians. Those who met him know of his characteristic penchant for inquiring about their alma mater and then rattling off the corresponding mascot.

Perhaps the most fitting summary of HOWARD's personality is that he is the essence of what it means to be a southern gentleman: someone who simply exudes kindness, charm, and compassion. And let's not forget that he was named the sexiest bachelor in Congress by BuzzFeed earlier this year.

HOWARD is also known for his deadpan humor, and loves a good joke, even if it is at his own expense. However, that wit can sometimes be a two-edged sword. In 2008, his sense of humor almost killed someone. At the North Carolina GOP Convention he cracked a joke to ROBERT PITTENGER, who now represents North Carolina's Ninth Congressional District. ROBERT nearly expired after choking on his meal in mid-chuckle. Reliable sources have hinted that the joke might have been a variation of HOWARD's "feisty mountain woman" one-liner that he routinely uses to describe me. Fortunately, former Presidential candidate Governor Mike Huckabee was there to rescue ROBERT from HOWARD's humor with a well-placed Heimlich maneuver.

All kidding aside, HOWARD is a man of integrity and principle, a Representative who has stood for what is right and who has fought on behalf of what makes America a great Nation.

Today, I salute HOWARD COBLE, my friend, for his many years of service. We will miss him greatly.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I now yield to our colleague, Mr. PRICE.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague for yielding and for scheduling this Special Order here on our first night back in town for the very important purpose of paying tribute to our dear friend and colleague, HOWARD COBLE. I am very happy to join in this, as many other colleagues will be tonight as well.

I have served with HOWARD since I first arrived here in 1987. He had beaten me by 2 years. He was first elected in 1984 to represent North Carolina's Sixth District.

I think when you hear the tributes tonight from both sides of the aisle you are going to, quite accurately, conclude that HOWARD COBLE is one of the best-liked Members of this body, and that affection extends across the entire political spectrum.

HOWARD is always ready with a kind word for everyone, from fellow Representatives to Capitol Police and constituents. It is difficult to walk anywhere with HOWARD in Washington, D.C., or in North Carolina without being stopped several times because he has so many friends who just want to catch up with him.

I have always especially enjoyed introducing my staff to HOWARD. His first question usually is: "What high school did you go to?" And then the second question is something like: "What's it like working for this scallywag?"

We've sometimes disagreed, of course, on politics and policy, but we have had many, many occasions for fruitful collaboration and cooperation on issues important to North Carolina. We have worked for years, for example, on promoting textile research. We have certainly worked on disaster relief after several major hurricanes. Over the years, I have come to appreciate HOWARD as a smart and able legislator, and, more than that, I have come to value him as a person and to value his friendship.

My district staff would want me to add how much we all admire HOWARD's constituent service. When it comes to working with our constituents in dealing with Federal agencies, party lines don't matter. Often, the district lines are a little indistinct and we have to figure out whose district someone is in or get a case referred back and forth. HOWARD's staff is invariably cooperative and competent. It is not an accident that he has a superb reputation in North Carolina for the best constituent service around.

HOWARD has been a dedicated Member in this body in Washington as well. He has been an effective legislator, especially distinguishing himself in his leadership positions on the Judiciary Committee. He has done all this with a certain grace and style. He reminds us of a time when our politics were less hard-edged.

So as he retires at the close of the current Congress, we wish him all the best. He leaves this body with immense affection and respect. Our State and the House of Representatives have greatly benefited from the service of HOWARD COBLE.

Godspeed, my friend.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to our colleague, Mr. JONES.

Mr. JONES. I thank Ms. FOXX for putting this together. Tonight is a sad night, but a very special night, I think, for those of us who have had the privilege to know HOWARD COBLE as long as I have. We go back to 1983, when I was a freshman Democrat in the North Carolina House of Representatives and he was a member of the North Carolina House of Representatives as a Republican. Why we met, I don't know, but eventually we became pretty good friends at that point. He then left the North Carolina House and came to Washington, D.C., and my father, Congressman Walter Jones, Sr., was chair-

man of the Merchant Marine Committee. Mr. COBLE, who came from North Carolina, was on that committee because he is a former member of the Coast Guard. He was a natural because of the work they did on that committee. My father became a friend of HOWARD COBLE's. Then I came to Washington, Mr. Speaker, as a Republican, and we have been friends for many years.

This man, to me, is very special as a human being. I heard Mr. PRICE say the "dean," but I call him the "leadah", l-e-a-d-a-h. Mr. COBLE likes to tell people that is because those of us from eastern North Carolina don't know the word "leader" ends in e-r instead of a-h. I did that because at the time we became the majority in 1995, it was a change in the House, for sure, and there was a Democrat for a number of years, and Mr. COBLE, being the kind of man he was, said, "No, I don't want to be called the dean. As long as he's here in Congress, I want him to remain the dean." I think that says a heck of a lot about who this person is. So, Mr. Speaker, I decided that he should be known as the "leadah," and therefore many people in the House of Representatives from both parties call him the "leadah"—some with a northern accent, some with a west coast accent, but it still sounds the same.

For me, personally, this night is sad because I have spent many nights in the last few years where Mr. COBLE and I have had dinner together at the Capitol Hill Club reminiscing about yesterday but also thinking about today. For me, this is a personal relationship that is like family, quite frankly. For me to know that I have been reelected for another term and to know that Mr. COBLE will go back home and enjoy the love and affection of the people of Greensboro, it still is sad for me personally. I do think that he has given so much not only to the State of North Carolina, but to our Nation. He has been a very effective leader of the House. He has been a great legislator. He has been able to get things done in the Judiciary Committee and other committees. He will always be remembered in my heart as a member of my family.

To you, HOWARD COBLE, I love you as a brother in Christ. You are a special man who has given so much to not only North Carolina, but to America. You will always remain a member of my family. God bless you, sir.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to our esteemed colleague from eastern North Carolina (Mr. MCINTYRE).

Mr. MCINTYRE. Thank you, HOWARD, for your spirit, service, and standard of statesmanship.

HOWARD and I have had a spirit of friendship that has been something we have always enjoyed together here on the floor. He has often asked me about what the latest score was or when the next game is that our beloved Tar Heels were playing in any sport—not just football and basketball but baseball and many other sports the team engages in.

But our spirit has gone even beyond that great school spirit and congressional spirit that we share to the spirit we have shared in our Lord and how God has touched our lives, and the fellowship together that we have had right across the hall in the Congressional Prayer Caucus and even on the steps of the Capitol here one evening several years ago. I am sure you remember that we shared that together, HOWARD.

Second is his service. In addition to his spirit of friendship and friendliness to so many people and the spirit that we have shared in our Lord is his longevity of service that he has given. But it hasn't just been mundane or in-and-out service. It has been a service done with life, laughter, and with latitude. He has life in what he does. He always shares a smile and makes you laugh and not take things so seriously that you can't enjoy what you are doing. We all should be able to enjoy this great opportunity of service.

He also takes the latitude to spend time with you and the latitude to literally work across the aisle, as symbolized by the comments you have already heard tonight and the friendships that he has across the aisle.

Third, with that spirit and service is also his standard of statesmanship.

HOWARD, I think about when we flew together with the Commandant of the Coast Guard. You being a Coastie yourself, we often talked about the importance of the Coast Guard and how we know it serves us well in North Carolina and nationwide. We flew down with the Commandant on his plane, and HOWARD came down to my district to honor Wilmington as the Nation's first Coast Guard city on the east coast. We shared that time together.

He was that kind of person that would travel and spend time with you. And whether it was on the coast in Wilmington or whether it was on the pitching mound together, as he and I and Representatives Foxx and PRICE shared at our alma mater, UNC Chapel Hill, just this past spring, he knew always how to show that friendship and to show that standard of statesmanship in every situation.

Thank you, HOWARD, for always bringing people together. With your disarming smile and your friendship you have shown what exemplary statesmanship is all about. You have shown that spirit of fellowship and friendship. You have given that longevity of service. Most of all, you have shown that standard of statesmanship to which we all should ascribe.

God bless you, my friend, my Christian brother, and my fellow Tar Heel. Thank you so much.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the Congresswoman from North Carolina, Congresswoman ELLMERS.

Mrs. ELLMERS. I am honored to stand before you to speak on behalf of my dear friend, the dean of our delegation, HOWARD COBLE. He has been a source of wisdom, an esteemed col-

league, and a loyal friend to all since taking office in 1985.

One of the fondest memories that I have of HOWARD was when I had the privilege of watching him accept the Bertholf Award. This prestigious honor was awarded to HOWARD for his unwavering support of the brave men and women serving in the United States Coast Guard. When I arrived at the ceremony, I wasn't surprised to find the committee room packed from wall to wall. Seating was scarce, and there was hardly any standing room left for supporters. Everyone was there to show support and appreciation for our good friend HOWARD, just as he has been there to show support and appreciation over the years to all of us.

While speaking at the ceremony, Admiral Papp shared some words of advice that HOWARD once gave him:

Always take care of your shipmates.

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HOWARD, you have truly embodied this piece of advice through your service in Congress, especially when taking care of your constituents.

You have always taken care of each of us, your shipmates, through both your dedicated service and loyal friendship.

On a personal note, I have had the incredible honor of following HOWARD in representing Moore and Randolph Counties in District Two, and I must say, you are truly loved and respected, and I have very big shoes to continue to fill.

Your retirement marks the end of an era here in Congress, but launches the beginning of another incredible journey for you. I wish you a long and relaxing retirement, and I will be forever grateful for your friendship and guidance through the years.

Thank you.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I yield to our colleague from North Carolina, RICHARD HUDSON.

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, you may notice my sharp jacket tonight. It is a madras jacket worn in honor of my dear friend and colleague, HOWARD COBLE.

HOWARD was not always known for just his colorful jackets. Back when he first came to town, HOWARD COBLE was known for his many colorful suspenders. In fact, I don't know how many he had, but it was well-known that he would always have those bright, colorful suspenders on.

Next he became known for wearing distinctive hats. In fact, in the nineties, Tim Russert used to refer to HOWARD COBLE as "the man with the hat."

Then it was Tim Russert's son, Luke, who first noticed the madras jackets a few years ago, and he actually put on his Twitter account that the jacket HOWARD COBLE is wearing tonight looked like "an exploding turtle."

So the Russert family has long acknowledged HOWARD's unique sense of style, as have many of his constituents and his friends here in Congress.

HOWARD COBLE has been known for his sense of humor. He once remarked that if he put on a brandnew suit, it would immediately look rumpled like an unmade bed.

HOWARD has always had a self-deprecating humor and a personality that draws people to him. Everyone loves him. I learned that as a candidate for Congress, Mr. Speaker, because I inherited three counties from HOWARD COBLE's former district, so when I would go ask people for votes, I had to immediately tell them I wasn't running against HOWARD COBLE because, otherwise, they didn't want to talk to me.

HOWARD COBLE is legendary in his constituent services. He has always taken care of his constituents. They know they have a friend in their Congressman HOWARD COBLE.

He set a standard, Mr. Speaker, to which we can all aspire to in terms of the integrity with which he has conducted himself, the love for people that everyone knows and can sense and is drawn to, and the constituent service.

Mr. Speaker, it has been a privilege to get to know HOWARD COBLE. It has been an honor to serve with him, and I call him friend. I will miss seeing him in Congress every day, but I know that he will not be a stranger.

I just say, God bless you, HOWARD COBLE, and Godspeed.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I yield to our distinguished colleague from North Carolina (Mr. PITTENGER).

Mr. PITTENGER. Mr. Speaker, much has been said and written about the ratings of the United States Congress and the approval of what the American people think of us. It is somewhere right around 10 percent.

Let me tell you those ratings don't take into consideration HOWARD COBLE. My esteemed friend in this Congress is regarded by his own constituents as a family member.

HOWARD COBLE chose not to be married, but what became his family were his constituents. What became his friends were his colleagues in Congress. Both sides of the aisle love HOWARD.

I am one, Congressman COBLE, who loved seeing you out there on that back row every time I walked in, with a big smile and a good story, and everybody would come by and say hello to HOWARD during the course of the session, just to see you, because you are special to all of us.

Yes, my good friend, Congresswoman FOXX, did tell a story about how my life was spared as I was chewing some chicken, and I realized I couldn't chew and laugh at the same time as I tried to swallow that chicken, and then here came Mr. Huckabee to give me the Heimlich and save my life.

Well, you know, I was in a primary a year after that. It was 11 people in the primary, and the one good thing about that is I got a sympathy vote from Mike Huckabee, and he endorsed me, so that was a good thing.

HOWARD, thank you. Thank you for being committed in your job. On the

Judiciary Committee, on the Transportation Committee, you were faithful in every respect, to do the right thing for North Carolina, for your district and, frankly, for the American people.

We are all in debt to you for your service to this great country. Our country is better off today because of the life of HOWARD COBLE.

Thank you. God bless you.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE), chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. GOODLATTE. I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, it is just a real honor to be here tonight to tell my friend, HOWARD COBLE, how much he means to me and how much I am going to miss him here in the House of Representatives.

He has not only been an outstanding leader on the House Judiciary Committee—and by the way, I hope the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) will compile all those wonderful photographs and put them in some kind of a binder so that—a book maybe, so that all of us can see and enjoy all those historic caricatures that have been created in HOWARD's honor over these many years—but not only has he been a great member of the House Judiciary Committee, he has been a close personal friend of mine for more than 20 years.

In addition to serving with him on the committee, he is somebody who is always turning to others, taking an interest in them. He has an uncanny ability to remember the mascots for virtually any high school or college that someone attended and his ability to always ask others how they are feeling.

With respect to this last point, he has defused more than a few difficult conversations by asking people, "How is your back feeling?" Inevitably, especially if someone is older, they begin to talk about back problems and forget what they were so exercised about.

He is also a great tennis player. For nearly 20 years, I have had the honor of playing tennis with him very early on Wednesday mornings. HOWARD isn't known for moving around the court really fast, but the thing about him is he always was there where you hit the ball, and he always put it back just exactly where he wanted it to go, an amazing accomplishment. So HOWARD, thank you very much for that.

I want to tell one story in conjunction with a field hearing that took place in Nashville—HOWARD is a great fan of bluegrass music and country music in general—a field hearing that took place in Nashville when the Fairness in Music Licensing bill was under consideration in the late 1990s, a meeting was arranged with Garth Brooks.

HOWARD, who was serving as the then-subcommittee chairman, was a lifelong fan of bluegrass and traditional country music. He didn't really know who Brooks was and was far more interested in arranging a meeting with Grandpa Jones from the Grand Ole

Opry, but he knows who he is now. In fact, Garth is making a comeback; and, HOWARD, you will enjoy many, many more opportunities to enjoy the music that you love.

He would always ask me how things were in the Star City, which is my hometown of Roanoke, Virginia, and took an interest in me and what I was doing.

On the committee, as the chairman of the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, where he serves now and has served on a number of occasions in the past, he stood very strong for the rights, the private property rights of people who are creators of music and motion pictures and great products that they seek patents on and so on.

His work will serve for a long time in the future to protect that great American incentive to create and create jobs. His work has created many jobs for many Americans.

He is a true son of the Sixth District of North Carolina. I am from the Sixth District of Virginia, but in his case, he is a lifelong son of the Sixth District, having been born in Greensboro, educated in the Sixth District, and been a county attorney and an assistant U.S. attorney. He has been a revenue officer with the North Carolina Department of Revenue.

What I didn't know was that his first 6 years in his professional life, he was a claims adjuster for the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company. So here, in the closing days of his service, I am still learning new things about my friend, HOWARD COBLE.

HOWARD, thank you very much for not only being my friend and a great colleague to all of us here in the House, but for being a great American. Thank you, and God bless you.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I yield to our colleague from North Carolina, PATRICK MCHENRY, the chief deputy whip.

Mr. MCHENRY. I thank the secretary of the Republican Conference, my colleague and classmate from North Carolina, VIRGINIA FOXX.

Mr. Speaker, today, I stand in tribute with the fine threads of a man named HOWARD COBLE. Congressman, State representative, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Revenue, captain of the United States Coast Guard, school bus driver—that is where it all began, in high school. That was his first public service.

JOHN HOWARD COBLE has held a variety of titles during his time and during his years, but to me, he has always been known as the dean, the dean of the North Carolina delegation, which he has been, for the last 15 years, the longest-serving Republican Member of this body in the history of the State of North Carolina, and my friend.

I am here to pay tribute and to thank him for his time in public service. He is what a Member of Congress should be, and that is concerned for his constituents and being their voice here in Washington and having an impact.

You certainly, my dean, have had a huge impact on my life, those that are paying tribute to say thank you tonight, but also your constituents and the American people, and we thank you.

Now, there are a number of stories about the dean, a number of them I would like to tell over the years, and most of them are, in fact, true.

This one story I want to tell tonight—actually, two, if I may. It goes back to the first time HOWARD ran for Congress in 1984. The campaign committee for the Republicans brought up folks in tough, challenging races to have some video and film shot with President Ronald Reagan. He helped with his popularity to help get some folks across the finish line in 1984.

HOWARD was so nervous that he forgot to shake the Gipper's hand, so one of the campaign committee staff, they were coming to Coble's district, and HOWARD said, "Where were you?" And he said, "Well, I was just in Alabama with President Reagan."

"Oh, really?"

He says, "Yeah. I told him I was going to Greensboro, and President Reagan looked at me and said, 'Well, tell that son of a gun that didn't shake my hand I said hello.'"

So HOWARD got a little flustered and was a little embarrassed and everything else until everybody started laughing, but HOWARD has had a great sense of humor, and that shows the real testament to HOWARD's integrity.

The other thing about HOWARD is fiscal conservatism. It goes back to what he said in his first campaign, he is going to bring a sharp pencil to the Washington budget, and he, in fact, has.

In fact, it wasn't very well-appreciated during his early service in Congress. There was a Member of Congress who was furious, who said, "That sharp pencil might actually get your ticket written out of Congress." And HOWARD told him that he thought, "Well, I believe there is life after Congress," and let the guy go on his way.

Well, that guy was not reelected, and HOWARD has been reelected 14 times during his time here, so true proof that fiscal conservatism can still win.

There are a number of other stories that we will talk about over perhaps a drink afterwards, but the one thing is everybody from his district knows and those of us from North Carolina know that he knows every high school mascot in the State of North Carolina.

Every child that I see that comes through Congress is simply amazed that their dean knows where they are from and knows their high school and their high school mascot.

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It is because he cares. So we are grateful tonight, and we want to say "thank you" to our friend, our dean, our leader—JOHN HOWARD COBLE.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR).

Ms. KAPTUR. I want to thank the secretary of the Republican caucus for granting me the time tonight and to say that I rise as a Member from the loyal opposition, who has great affection, friendship, and admiration for my neighbor in the Rayburn Building.

Mr. Speaker, I would say that Congressman HOWARD COBLE represents the values of gentlemanly behavior, affability, cordiality, some might say—those of us from the North would call it—a bit of a courtly manner, which I always associated with the South. He is not just a man of character, but he is a character, and his personality and demeanor represent the type of collegiality that is so important to bring this institution together. I have no doubt he has well represented the constituents of his North Carolina district these many years—the Sixth District—and they probably share my great affection for this wonderful man.

Now, I say that knowing that we disagree, issue-wise, on almost everything; but I think HOWARD COBLE is the kind of person who represents what Congress should be—individuals who may disagree on issues but who become friends through their years of service. That is really remarkable because many people who go to work every day in this country go to work with people who think just like they do. They are in the same business or they teach a course in something or they are surrounded by those who agree, but what makes HOWARD COBLE special is he can be friends with people who disagree. Now, those who disagree with him even might come from his own party. One comes to mind in particular, someone he has kindly called the “lady of the harbor.” I don’t know if former Congresswoman Helen Bentley is listening tonight or not, but she has a few remembrances of HOWARD as well.

Though we might have disagreed, we became great friends, and it makes the service bearable. It makes it bearable. HOWARD is also my neighbor over in the Rayburn Building, and there isn’t a time that we pass in the hall that he always doesn’t say, “Hey, good morning.” “Hey, good afternoon. How are you doing?” His compassionate nature and his Mr. Cordiality, really, are extraordinary qualities in an institution where people come with very, very strongly held views. So I want to pay tribute to HOWARD COBLE’s service. I didn’t know he was the longest-serving Republican in North Carolina history. He has served honorably, and he has helped this institution to hold together.

Thank you, HOWARD COBLE, for teaching all of us how to behave and how to be effective in our service. May God bless you in the days and years ahead. You know you always have family here. We appreciate your service, and we thank the people of North Carolina for sending you here these many years. Godspeed.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to our distinguished colleague from Texas, Mr. LAMAR SMITH.

Mr. SMITH of Texas. I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, let me say that I am absolutely privileged and honored to be here tonight to be able to talk about such a good friend, HOWARD COBLE.

If I were to describe HOWARD in two words—and this is an ultimate compliment in my book—it would be that he is a gentleman and a scholar, and there aren’t too many people who actually succeed in achieving both those kinds of distinctions.

So, HOWARD, it is nice to be with you tonight. You are here in the front row of the House Chamber, and we celebrate your contributions to public service, and we honor you for being the great person that you are.

I have often said—and I have mentioned this to HOWARD COBLE in person—that if there were such a thing as a congressional class president, it would be HOWARD COBLE. Now, we don’t have such a thing as a class president, but if we did, I think HOWARD would be nominated and voted upon and approved by acclamation. He is that popular here. He is that dearly loved and respected by all of us.

I have had the privilege of sitting next to him on the Judiciary Committee for many, many years, and during that time, I have watched HOWARD work; I have watched him speak; and I have watched him think. He has been the chairman of three subcommittees on the Judiciary Committee—first, Crime; second, Administrative Law; and, third, Intellectual Property—that being the most recent subcommittee that he has chaired. He also chaired another subcommittee, early on, on the Transportation Committee, which means that he is probably one of those rare Members of Congress—perhaps even the only one—who has chaired four subcommittees in the House of Representatives.

Throughout all of that time and in all of my years of being with HOWARD, he has exhibited some wonderful attributes, and those qualities are graciousness, smarts, and politeness—again, a rare combination in any individual, but those are the qualities—those are the attributes—that we see in HOWARD on a daily basis.

HOWARD COBLE and I share something else in common, and that is that we often are half of a congressional doubles team that has been playing tennis for years and years and years.

HOWARD, I would like to say that we are the better half, and maybe that is true half the time—I am not sure—or something close to that. There have been a number of Members who have participated in these doubles matches, and two primary Members who are oftentimes on the other side of the net from HOWARD and me are BOB GOODLATTE and FRED UPTON. They have been joined on occasion by SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO and also by KEVIN YODER.

I have to say, HOWARD, I do believe that whoever plays with SHELLEY

MOORE CAPITO probably wins more often than not, or maybe I should say that when Shelley was playing with, say, Bob or Fred that we had our hands full. That is not to say we were always on the losing side. We held our own. It has just been a real pleasure to enjoy those times together with you, and I will say, unequivocally, that I don’t know of anybody else who is a better volleyer than you. If anyone got a tennis ball past you in the last 10 years, I did not see it, so we appreciate your tennis prowess as well.

Lastly, again, we are here tonight just to honor a great man—a gentleman and a scholar—both for his public service, for being an example to all of us in the House, and also, to so many of us, for being just an exceptionally good friend.

HOWARD, thank you for being with us for these wonderful years that you have been in Congress. You have done so much for your constituents and have done so much for us as well—your colleagues and friends in the House. It is a privilege to be here tonight.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentlewoman from Texas, Ms. SHEILA JACKSON LEE.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. I thank the manager of this Special Order, and it gives me great privilege to be able to stand here today.

Mr. Speaker, as I look at Congressman COBLE, I think of the men and women who love this institution. I love it, and I have had the privilege of serving on the House Judiciary Committee, which I believe is the holder of the Founding Fathers’ dream of democracy for this country. As I have worked with Congressman COBLE, I have seen nothing but his love for the law, for the broad depth of the House Judiciary Committee and, might I say, the power.

Congressman, you have used that power with gentlemanly gentleness and forcefulness in representing your constituents and your philosophy.

We have had some tough battles on the House Judiciary Committee, but I have always seen and known HOWARD COBLE to be a gentleman.

I am reminded of how many days and moments and minutes and months that we have been here in this place, and, HOWARD, I believe that, every time we have seen each other, we have said “hello” with a smile. I thank you for that, and it represents your love of this country and your love of the system of justice and democracy and the respect for difference of opinion.

Let me also say that I have a great Texan as my daughter. She loves Texas, and she is now an elected official, but she went on to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Duke. She couldn’t leave North Carolina. She knew the bipartisan manner of your work, and as they studied on those two campuses, they knew Congressman HOWARD COBLE.

So let me say to you, on behalf of those of us who have worked with you

over the years—Democrats and Republicans—and in the time that I have had the privilege of serving in this House, what a mighty “thank you” we want to give you and to recognize the service you have given to the Nation, to your constituents and, certainly, the teaching that you have given to all of us. Well done, my good friend. We will miss you, and we wish for you a long life and an enjoyable time in continuing to serve in your own way the United States of America. Thank you so very much. We love you, HOWARD.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to our distinguished colleague from North Carolina (Mr. HOLDING).

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak for a few minutes about some of the many remarkable qualities that my friend—the leader of the North Carolina delegation, Congressman HOWARD COBLE—has exemplified throughout his nearly 30 years of service to the Sixth District of North Carolina and its people.

To earn the continuous confidence of your constituents for three decades, Mr. Speaker, is a tremendous honor, and it is one that HOWARD COBLE has unfailingly performed with remarkable humility, never taking it for granted that he would be reelected.

To also earn the respect and devotion of your staff, Members of this House on both sides of the aisle—certainly as we have seen tonight—and of the many stakeholders whom he has worked with on a daily basis throughout his career as a legislator is a testament to HOWARD’s commitment to public service, and more importantly, Mr. Speaker, it is a testament to his personal character and charm.

Many of the laws HOWARD COBLE has authored have been in politically and technically complex areas—copyright, patent and trademark. These agreements can be very difficult to negotiate when it is vitally important to the public and the American economy that we get it right. HOWARD COBLE has gotten it right. He has protected the rights of individual authors and inventors just as the drafters of the Constitution intended them to be. HOWARD’s skills and his unblemished reputation for fair dealing among all parties have been critical to the congressional efforts over the many years to forge consensus in these difficult areas.

HOWARD’s commitment to public service, as we have heard tonight from the other speakers, began long before 1984 when he was elected to Congress. It is a commitment to public service that spans over 50 years. Throughout his life, he has performed these duties with a sense of grace, compassion, and respect—respect for people, respect for his colleagues, respect for the process, respect for the institutions of government—as have all been echoed here tonight.

I have talked to a number of Congressman COBLE’s staff to hear reflections that they have had, and a number of them have recalled some poignant moments:

One recalled the valuable lessons that HOWARD has taught him. One of the longest-serving staff members told me how impressed he was to learn why HOWARD went back to his district regularly to meet with constituents—constituents who were unlikely to support him. He didn’t only meet with his supporters but with the folks who didn’t support him. HOWARD explained that the congressional seat he was in didn’t belong to him but that it was their seat and that all of his constituents needed to know that they have a Congressman who cares about them, who thinks about them, and who represents them in Washington—even if they decide never to vote for him that he will represent them;

Another staff member echoed the sentiment, recalling how refreshing it was to work for a Member who was always able to stay true to his ideas, describing HOWARD as someone who appreciates real people;

Another staff member remarked that she was so impressed at how other Members responded to him. She recalled that at the beginning of a Judiciary Committee markup right before HOWARD’s father passed away that Chairman Hyde started off with a moment of silence and that, after that moment of silence, the first two Members to come up to HOWARD and express sorrow for his loss were Representative Watt and Representative Delahunt—two colleagues who crossed the aisle to console and share a moment with their friend who was mourning a loss.

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Witnessing that moment made this young staffer proud to work for HOWARD. It taught her a lot about the importance of treating people in a humane fashion. And, indeed, HOWARD treats everyone humanely, whether it is in a meeting with constituents, a meeting with high-level officials, a meeting with celebrities, or meeting with staff members after a long day, having them come over to his office where they share a laugh for a few moments, calling staff members after a long markup and telling them that he really appreciated the work they did today.

In an interview, Mr. Speaker, 2 weeks ago, HOWARD stated: “I’ve been richly blessed with good friends up here and also back home. And I will continue to embrace those friends, even though I’m leaving.”

Well, Mr. Speaker, it is us who have been richly blessed by HOWARD. And we will continue to embrace our good friend HOWARD because he is a friend and a mentor to us all forever.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I want to give our colleague from North Carolina a moment to respond if he wishes to make any comments about the comments that we have made about him. I am not sure that I want to just yield him such time as he may consume, but my hope is that if he wishes to respond, he will take the opportunity to do so.

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, as many of my colleagues know, my middle name is Brevity. If it can be said in 5 minutes, don’t take 25 minutes to say it.

You all surely do know how to make an old man feel good, and I thank you for this. You have embellished many areas of my life which I have embraced as well.

But I must correct what PATRICK MCHENRY said. I do not know every mascot in North Carolina. I think Virginia has given me credit for that too.

Thanks to all of you who have taken part in this Special Order. You have made me feel very special, and for that, I thank you.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank all of my colleagues who have come down tonight. I did not thank them on an individual basis because I wanted to save as much time as possible for people to make the comments that they have made.

I think the fact that we have had such a bipartisan presentation here tonight supports the comments that have been made tonight. The comments that have been made, notwithstanding what our colleague said, have been extremely eloquent, and I want to thank everybody for coming down.

I want you to know that we did our best to have this event earlier this year, but we could not get on Mr. COBLE’s schedule because there were so many parties going on on his behalf that we had an awful time finding a night to do it.

I don’t know anybody who has more people paying him tribute than our friend HOWARD Coble. We are going to miss him tremendously and his North Carolina values of hard work, common sense, and sacrifice on behalf of those he has served.

It has been a personal joy for me to work alongside HOWARD Coble in the Congress for the last 10 years, and it really is hard to imagine how we will go on without him.

His friendship and leadership on our State delegation will be dearly missed in the coming years. But his legacy of service and devotion to our home State and all North Carolinians will continue to be a standard for current and future leaders to follow. He will always be our dean. He will always be our “leadah.”

And, Mr. Speaker, with that, I yield back the balance of my time.

OBAMACARE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. COLLINS of Georgia). Under the Speaker’s announced policy of January 3, 2013, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) for 30 minutes.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to also express my love and appreciation for HOWARD COBLE. There is not a more honorable, noble, humble, able man in all of Congress, and it has been a great opportunity and a great blessing to me in my life to be a friend of HOWARD COBLE and to pray with

him, to worship with him, to study with him, to discuss with him. And I will always be grateful to the most eligible bachelor in all of Congress. I don't know who will fill that role when HOWARD COBLE is gone.

But thank you. You will be missed.

Mr. COBLE. On that note, Mr. Speaker, I am going to depart. Thank you, LOUIE.

Mr. GOHMERT. It is amazing, a man who has given so much of his life, as HOWARD COBLE has, to this institution, to working to make the country better, safer, efforts to make it more free, to help free up the economy so that it can achieve the high plateaus that it could reach if the government would release the boot from off the neck of the economy.

Whether you agreed with HOWARD COBLE or not, his honesty stands in stark contrast to what we have learned about recently with respect to the man Jonathan Gruber, who was not elected but was selected by the United States President. President Obama had gotten him basically to be what they call the architect of the ObamaCare bill.

The name on the bill was the Affordable Care Act. Actually, the real name of the bill involved being a one-time tax deduction for first-time home buyers who were veterans and for other purposes. But the Senate took that bill, they stripped out every single word of the bill that would have helped veterans, and, instead, after deleting every word of the bill to help veterans, substituted therein about 2,500 pages of something that people now call ObamaCare.

And we find out, most of us having seen the video of the ObamaCare architect, Jonathan Gruber, saying:

This bill was written in a tortured way to make sure CBO did not score the mandate as taxes. If CBO scored the mandate as taxes, the bill dies. Okay, so it's written to do that. In terms of risk-rated subsidies, if you had a law which said that healthy people are going to pay in, you made explicit healthy people pay in and sick people get money, it would not have passed. Lack of transparency is a huge political advantage. And basically, call it the stupidity of the American voter or whatever, but basically, that was really, really critical for the thing to pass. Look, I wish Mark was right, that we could make it all transparent, but I'd rather have this law than not.

Staggering. The man who designed ObamaCare admitting that if the American public, or even the Democrats in Congress, had known what was in ObamaCare, the Democrats alone would never have passed it.

It was not transparent, as the President had promised. It was a travesty forced upon the American people without a single Republican vote, not one single Republican vote.

And I still hear people say, Well, you know, nobody read it. I read it. And I knew how bad it was going to be. It should never have passed. And if the Obama administration and our Democrat friends have been honest, then it would not have passed.

I will now yield to a very dear friend from Texas, LAMAR SMITH. I think the world of his opinion.

Mr. SMITH of Texas. If the gentleman will yield briefly, I will just say that I purposely stayed on the House floor just because I respect and admire the gentleman and what he has to say. And I happen to have agreed with everything he mentioned tonight about ObamaCare.

And let me say also that the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) oftentimes speaks on the House floor. And he is speaking to an audience that is listening to us on C-SPAN. And we do appreciate his speaking the truth. We appreciate his bringing out the facts, and we hope that those who are in a position to make changes or to even repeal ObamaCare will do so. And if that occurs, it will be in large part a tribute to LOUIE GOHMERT's persistence in pointing out the flaws in ObamaCare.

I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. GOHMERT. I thank my friend from San Antonio.

You know, it is ironic. There are so many people here. And a lot of new people have gotten elected. Three were sworn in here tonight. And the ones I have come to know, they appreciate honesty.

And I know I was in the national media not long ago with Dennis Kucinich, and people were surprised. Well, even though you and Dennis Kucinich disagreed, you seemed very friendly, like you were friends. Dennis Kucinich and I are friends. And the big reason is—even though I think he is wrong on a lot of issues—the man has never lied to me. He has always been honest.

Honesty in this body is such an important commodity. And certainly HOWARD COBLE is one of the most honorable, honest men that have ever served. And that stands just in such stark contrast with the statements that have been discovered by the ObamaCare architect, Jonathan Gruber.

There is another story from foxnews.com. And they found this. Of course he had been commenting, Oh, well, that was just off the cuff and, you know, just kind of kidding around.

And then another videotape was found of him talking:

Referring to the so-called "Cadillac tax" on high-end health plans, he said: "They proposed it, and that passed because the American people are too stupid to understand the difference."

The article says:

He suggested that taxing individuals would have been politically unpalatable, but taxing the companies worked because Americans didn't understand the difference.

Gruber said the "lack of transparency" in the way the law was crafted was critical. "Basically, call it the stupidity of the American voter or whatever, but basically that was really, really critical for the thing to pass."

Then Gruber went on MSNBC to express regret:

On Tuesday, he said, "I was speaking off the cuff, and I basically spoke inappropriately, and I regret having made those comments."

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Well, it is interesting. He never says that he regrets having those opinions.

After that video, a second video came to light, where the designer, the architect of ObamaCare, called the American people stupid, too stupid to realize how bad ObamaCare was. His apology is not that he is sorry that he thought the American people were stupid or that he didn't really think they were stupid or that he is sorry there wasn't more transparency or that he is sorry that the Democrats in Congress were the only ones that voted for the bill in the House or Senate or that the American people were snookered. He makes no apologies for deceiving the American people, deceiving the Democrats in the House and the Senate into voting for a bill through their dishonest shenanigans. No regrets for that. He only regrets that he said these things so they were caught on video.

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If the man were cut out of the same cloth as a HOWARD COBLE, a man of honest candor, then he would come before the American people, and he would say, yes, I was the architect of this bill, ObamaCare. It wasn't right to trick the American people and to trick the Democrats into voting for a bill they hadn't read when some of us knew how bad it was going to be. That was wrong, and I apologize for tricking the American people, for lying to the American people, and for not having transparency.

I think real nobility would require someone who helped with ObamaCare—even the President—to say, do you know what? Back in 2008, when I was Senator Obama, I was running for President, and I promised the American people, if you give me the Presidency, we will have a debate on C-SPAN. We will do it all transparently. We will have it out there for everyone to see and everyone to hear who is taking what sides, because that is the way the health care debate should be, completely transparent.

After he became President, he puts Jonathan Gruber in charge, and we get a bill that Gruber has admitted tricked the American people and was nontransparent.

I just want to mention back again what he brought up, the Cadillac tax, when he said that the American people are too stupid to understand the difference. Actually, that Cadillac tax, it is not really going to be a Cadillac tax, but in the original bill, they were clever enough to put that 40 percent tax into place after the 2016 election, so that Democrats can run for President in 2016 and say, no, no, it is all right, it is going to be okay, when they know good and well that under the massive 40 percent tax—as if the middle class and the poor haven't been slammed enough with this terrible economy, with the lower wages, and with the part-time work, if they are fortunate

enough to find an employer who gets them any kind of decent health care plan, any amount the health care plan costs over \$10,200—even if they pay for it—it is going to be 40 percent tax on all above \$10,200 for an individual health insurance policy.

So if say, for example, the policy costs \$15,200, \$5,000 over the amount for an individual policy, then that poor, middle class, hardworking union member—because the union members will have policies that are worth more than \$10,200—so that poor union member that is just already soaked to the gills with taxes, charges, and fees will pay another 40 percent tax on the \$5,000 extra that is spent by his employer for that policy.

In other words, a guy that is just getting a barely decent health insurance policy is going to add another \$2,000 that that middle class individual is going to have to pay to have insurance that may give him a massive, several thousand, 5,000 deductible.

I have heard from so many people. Only a few that we have heard from are paying less. Most everybody my office has heard from is paying massive amounts more for their health insurance, and some report our deductible went from \$500 that we could barely afford to cover, that \$500 deductible went up to 5,000, and our premiums went up.

What is affordable about ObamaCare? We can't afford it. We can't afford to pay \$5,000 in health care before the insurance even kicks in, and then we still have a copay and all kinds of other requirements.

I heard one female couple that was in their sixties saying, gee, the last thing they ought to have to pay for is maternity care. Well, they are right, but under ObamaCare, it doesn't matter if you are 80 years old, you are still going to pay for maternity care if you buy insurance.

So the best we could do is return individual Americans control of their own health care back into their hands, and there are many of us, Republicans, that have had proposals for health care bills. I had a bill, and I could never get CBO to score it, and to just remind, Mr. Speaker, our Members that may be listening, it was CBO, the Congressional Budget Office, that does official scoring.

And they actually scored ObamaCare as costing over \$1 trillion—\$1.1 trillion, I believe—and the President was upset because he promised the American people it would actually be lower than \$1 trillion. So the head of the Congressional Budget Office, Mr. Doug Elmendorf, got called over to the Oval Office, and magically, after a meeting with the President, they came back and redid their numbers and said it was actually only \$800 billion. The President said, whoopee, see, I told you it was going to be less than 1 trillion.

Then after it passed, CBO came back and said, do you know what? Actually, it is going to be over 1 trillion, and then later came back and said, oh, it

may be more like 1.7 or 1.8 trillion. And then we have other entities saying, no, it looks like it could be even \$4 trillion it is going to cost.

As I said before and will continue to say, if the scoring entity's margin of error is plus or minus 400 percent, it is time for a new scoring entity, and I think we could do that.

I talked with Arthur Laffer about it a number of times, Reagan's chief architect of his economic proposals, and unlike Mr. Gruber, Arthur Laffer is a very honorable, honest—great sense of humor—but a brilliant man.

Despite his Ivy League education and his background, he is a brilliant guy. There are proposals that we have that would not even cost \$1 trillion that would return the control back to the patient.

But Mr. Gruber has finally been caught, he said it over a year ago, but he has finally been caught admitting that the only way they got ObamaCare passed was the American people were too stupid.

What he was talking about on the Cadillac tax is he was saying that if we let the American people know that they were ultimately going to pay that 40 percent tax on everything over \$10,200 for an individual policy, they would never have gone along with it.

But instead of saying that the individual is going to pay for it, we said, oh, the corporation is going to pay for it, and therefore, it won't cost the individual anything.

Well, that is about as dishonest and insane as people in the administration telling our senior citizens, oh, don't worry about the fact that ObamaCare cut Medicare by \$716 billion. Don't worry about that because that only goes to the doctors, the hospitals, and the people that provide the knees and the things like that, but it won't affect you at all.

Well, I think we saw, in this election, the seniors are a lot smarter than Mr. Gruber gave them credit for. Yes, many of them were fooled when they were lied to by the administration, but now, they figured out, wait a minute, you said that \$716 billion in cuts to Medicare that ObamaCare did wouldn't affect me, and now, I can't get my knee surgery, I can't get my back surgery, I can't get my pacemaker, I can't get the things I need.

Apparently, that was a lie as well. It did affect seniors. It is affecting seniors, and it will affect seniors until the day it is finally repealed.

I know there are people out there, Mr. Speaker, that have said, well, there were a couple things that were good. We ought to just leave the good things in it.

Generally, they point to two things, number one, a young person who is living at home and is under 26 years of age can share their family insurance with their parents, and that neglects to recognize the fact that when the Democrats controlled the House, they controlled the Senate, and they controlled

the White House with President Obama, we offered repeatedly, look, guys, let us have a little say in this bill. In fact, why don't we just pass a freestanding bill?

And I know the Democrats said they wanted to cut off at 26 years of age, but there were a lot of us that said, look, if the economy is bad and a young person is living at home, they are 26, 27, I don't really care, if you are living at home with your parents and they have got health insurance, and you are willing to pay the little extra the insurance company charges to add another family member, then let them be on their family's insurance.

We were okay with passing that. Republicans were. We welcomed that. We were never, ever given the chance. We were told, we have the votes to pass it, we don't need your help, we don't need your input.

As a former chief justice, judge, and civil trial attorney in prior lives, I have seen a lot of insurance litigation, and I have seen cases where insurance companies acted very unfairly in canceling people's policies when it was wrong and it was unfair because they said, oh, well, you had a preexisting condition they already knew about.

Republicans offered to work with our Democratic friends that were in the majority to fashion a bill that would deal with the issue of unfairness and, at times, even fraud by an insurance company, dealing with insureds unfairly and using the gimmick of a pre-existing condition claim to deny coverage. We were willing to work with them on a bill like that.

Fortunately, most insurance companies don't act like that; and, fortunately, in most situations, even those that do occasionally don't all the time and, in fact, don't most of the time.

But we were okay with the bill that would address those issues, but it should have only applied to policies that went across State lines because, otherwise, it is a State issue.

And I know in Texas we have a State insurance commissioner, commission, there are people that are watching over these issues, and it is a whole lot easier to file a complaint in your State capital, even if you are a State as big as Texas or Alaska, than it is to have to file a complaint and deal with the morass right here in Washington, D.C.

Well, on the heels of all the admissions of lies that were told to pass ObamaCare that have now come out, an article Monday by Elise Viebeck, and the title is "HHS"—that is Health and Human Services—"lowers ObamaCare enrollment expectations."

It says:

Officials at the Department of Health and Human Services on Monday projected that up to 9.9 million people would be enrolled in ObamaCare in 2015, millions fewer than Congressional Budget Office estimates.

Federal health officials are projecting that ObamaCare enrollment will include at least 3.1 million fewer people next year than Congressional Budget analysts thought.

Well, there goes the Congressional Budget analysts once again being off in

the nature of 30 percent. That is a plus-or-minus margin of error of 30 percent. It is not really so good.

We need another vehicle for competition for scoring that would be less expensive and would be more accurate, and then the only way you could really get it accurate is if you have competition, and then you begin to score the scorers, because what CBO did in ObamaCare and what they have done on these enrollment expectations, I mean they are just outrageous.

Anyway, there are plenty of articles about the American people being too stupid according to the man who designed the ObamaCare bill. It is unfortunate that people in this administration thought that the American people were too stupid and too gullible.

Unfortunately, since there are honest people in government, the people like Mr. Gruber that were so dishonest to pass a massive bill that took away patients' health care rights and the things that would prolong their lives, the things that would make their lives more comfortable, it is just a tragedy, but there are honest people in government. Now, people will have to be even more cynical than they already were of government.

This interesting survey was done by Kellyanne Conway, this article from November 7 of this year, the survey in the article points out that a majority of respondents, 76 percent, consider laws that require voters to present a photo ID before casting a ballot to be "mostly fair," and a total of 69 percent of Americans consider it "not a burden at all."

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Amazing.

Another point mentions, when asked, "Do you agree or disagree that President Obama should, through executive action, allow illegal immigrants to remain in the United States?" 63 percent disagree. That is 53 percent strongly, 10 percent somewhat. Only 30 percent agree.

Another point of the survey, corruption in the Federal Government continues to be a serious concern among voters, with 92 percent now saying they consider it a serious problem. That is 92 percent of Americans consider corruption a serious problem.

Well, perhaps the fact that Mr. Gruber was getting paid and had a motivation, a pecuniary, a financial motivation for being out there selling ObamaCare as being such a great thing, and as he says now lying about it so much and obscuring the truth as much as he did, that kind of helps contribute to the 92 percent of Americans, or rather of voters, saying that they had serious concerns about corruption in Federal Government.

The survey also indicated a full 80 percent said that the Federal Government has become "less transparent" or "stayed about the same" over the past 6 years.

When asked about ballot integrity and voter fraud, 74 percent consider it a problem.

So much for those who say it isn't a problem. It is a problem.

I think because of photo IDs being used, for example in Texas this time, we had better election integrity. I know the Indiana law was upheld that required photo IDs, and Texas largely modeled their law after Indiana. It is a matter of protecting ballot integrity.

I have been over to the Department of Justice, and I find it interesting that the Attorney General who is outgoing right now requires you cannot get in to see the Attorney General unless you can produce a photo ID. Apparently, the incoming or the nominated candidate for Attorney General thinks photo IDs for elections are a problem, and it will be interesting to see if she changes the policy if she gets confirmed. The Senate needs to make a thorough investigation. They need to take their time and do it right. But we will see if this stands as a policy that photo IDs should be required to see the AGs but not to vote.

With that, I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of being detained on official business with the Vice President.

Mr. HONDA (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of a delayed flight.

Ms. JACKSON LEE (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of being detained on official business with the Vice President.

EXPENDITURES BY THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL UNDER HOUSE RESOLUTION 676

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COM-
MITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRA-
TION,

Washington, DC, October 30, 2014.

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, Pursuant to section 3(b) of H. Res. 676, I write with the following enclosure which is a statement of the aggregate amount expended on outside counsel and other experts on any civil action authorized by H. Res. 676.

Sincerely,

CANDICE S. MILLER,
Chairman,
Committee on House Administration.

AGGREGATE AMOUNT EXPENDED ON OUTSIDE COUNSEL OR OTHER EXPERTS—H. RES. 676

July 1–September 30, 2014	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the

Speaker pro tempore, Mr. WOLF, on Friday, September 19, 2014:

H.R. 594. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act relating to Federal research on muscular dystrophy, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2600. An act to amend the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act to clarify how the Act applies to condominiums.

H.R. 3043. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of general welfare benefits provided by Indian tribes.

H.R. 3716. An act to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5062. An act to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to specify that privilege and confidentiality are maintained when information is shared by certain nondepository covered persons with Federal and State financial regulators, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5404. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, further reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. Harris, on Thursday, September 25, 2014:

H.R. 4980. An act to prevent and address sex trafficking of children in foster care, to extend and improve adoption incentives, and to improve international child support recovery.

H.R. 4994. An act to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for standardized post-acute care assessment data for quality, payment, and discharge planning, and for other purposes.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker pro tempore, Mr. HARRIS, on Thursday, September 25, 2014, announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S.J. Res. 40. Providing for the appointment of Michael Lynton as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on September 19, 2014, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval the following bills:

H.J. Res. 124. Making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2015, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4751. To make technical corrections to Public Law 110-09229 to reflect the renaming of the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4809. To reauthorize the Defense Production Act, to improve the Defense Production Act Committee, and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, further reported that on September 23, 2014, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 594. To amend the Public Health Service Act relating to Federal research on muscular dystrophy, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2600. To amend the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act to clarify how the Act applies to condominiums.

H.R. 3043. To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of general welfare benefits provided by Indian tribes.

H.R. 5404. To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5062. To amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to specify that privilege and confidentiality are maintained when information is shared by certain non-depository covered persons with Federal and State financial regulators, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3716. To ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, further reported that on September 26, 2014, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 4980. To prevent and address sex trafficking of children in foster care, to extend and improve adoption incentives, and to improve international child support recovery.

H.R. 4994. To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for standardized post-acute care assessment data for quality, payment, and discharge planning, and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, further reported that on September 29, 2014, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 4323. To reauthorize programs authorized under the Debbie Smith Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 49 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, November 13, 2014, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

OATH OF OFFICE MEMBERS, RESIDENT COMMISSIONER, AND DELEGATES

The oath of office required by the sixth article of the Constitution of the United States, and as provided by section 2 of the act of May 13, 1884 (23 Stat. 22), to be administered to Members, Resident Commissioner, and Delegates of the House of Representatives, the text of which is carried in 5 U.S.C. 3331:

"I, AB, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

has been subscribed to in person and filed in duplicate with the Clerk of the House of Representatives by the following Member of the 113th Congress, pursuant to the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 25:

DONALD W. NORCROSS, First District of New Jersey, ALMA S. ADAMS, Twelfth District of North Carolina, DAVE BRAT, Seventh District of Virginia.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7424. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Exclusion of Utility Operations-Related Swaps with Utility Special Entities from De Minimis Threshold for Swaps with Special Entities (RIN: 3038-AE19) received October 2, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7425. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Program: Amendment of Procedures and Notification of Request for Referendum [Docket No.: AMS-LPS-13-0066] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7426. A letter from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Viruses, Serums, Toxins, and Analogous Products; Standard Requirements; Addition of Terminology to Define Veterinary Biologics Test Results [Docket No.: APHIS-2013-0034] (RIN: 0579-AD86) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7427. A letter from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Importation of Mangoes From Jamaica Into the Continental United States [Docket No.: APHIS-2013-0018] (RIN: 0579-AD80) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7428. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Expansion of Areas in the Philippines Considered Free of Mango Seed Weevil and Mango Pulp Weevil and Establishment of a Lower Irradiation Dose as Treatment for Mango Pulp Weevil [Docket No.: APHIS-2013-0057] (RIN: 0579-AD84) received October 1, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7429. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Sheep Industry Improvement Center [Doc. No.: AMS-LPS-14-0028] received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7430. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Avocados Grown in South Florida and Imported Avocados; Change in Maturity Requirements [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-14-0051; FV14-915-1 IR] received October 1, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7431. A letter from the Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Depart-

ment of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Methodology and Formulas for Allocation of Loan and Grant Program Funds (RIN: 0570-AA30) received September 29, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7432. A letter from the FSA Regulatory Review Group Director, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage Programs (RIN: 0560-AI24) received October 6, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7433. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Importation of Fresh Bananas From the Philippines Into Hawaii and U.S. Territories [Docket No.: APHIS-2013-0045] (RIN: 0579-AD82) received October 6, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7434. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Change in Accredited Laboratory Fees [Docket No.: FSIS-2014-0026] (RIN: 0583-AD) received October 14, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7435. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Organization; Institution Stockholder Voting Procedures (RIN: 3052-AC85) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7436. A letter from the Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's 2014 compensation program adjustments, including the Agency's current salary range structure and the performance-based merit pay matrix, in accordance with section 1206 of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989; to the Committee on Agriculture.

7437. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, Army Case Number 13-05; to the Committee on Appropriations.

7438. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter regarding the designation of Overseas and Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism funding; (H. Doc. No. 113-158); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

7439. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the budget program revisions for the Commodity Credit Corporation for FY 2015; (H. Doc. No. 113-160); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

7440. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Rear Admiral (lower half) Brett C. Heimbigner, United States Navy, to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7441. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Distribution of Department of Defense Depot Maintenance Workloads for Fiscal Years 2013 through 2015"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7442. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Payment in Local Currency (Afghanistan) (DFARS Case 2013-D029) (RIN: 0750-AI14) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

7443. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Period for Task and Delivery Order Contracts-Deletion of Congressional Reporting Requirement (DFARS Case 2014-D018) (RIN: 0750-AI35) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

7444. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter regarding Colonel Patrick W. Burden, United States Army, assignments as a brigadier general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

7445. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Flowdown of Specialty Metals Restrictions (DFARS Case 2014-D011) (RIN: 0750-AI30) received October 15, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

7446. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevation Determinations; St. Louis County, Missouri, and Incorporated Areas [Docket ID: FEMA-2014-0002] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7447. A letter from the Acting Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility (Bradford County, PA, et al.) [Docket ID: FEMA-2014-0002] [Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8351] received October 15, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7448. A letter from the Acting Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility (Queen Anne's County, MD, et al.) [Docket ID: FEMA-2014-0002] [Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8353] received October 15, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7449. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Model Manufactured Home Installation Standards: Ground Anchor Installations [Docket No.: FR-5631-F-02] (RIN: 2502-AJ15) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7450. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal Housing Administration (FHA): Section 232 Healthcare Facility Insurance Program Aligning Operator Financial Reports with HUD's Uniform Financial Reporting Standards [Docket No.: FR-5794-I-01] (RIN: 2502-AJ25) received October 1, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7451. A letter from the Regulatory Specialist, LRAD, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Regulatory Capital Rules: Regulatory Capital, Revisions to the Supplementary Leverage Ratio [Docket ID: OCC-2014-0008] (RIN: 1557-AD81) received October 6, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7452. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports

to ICBC Financial Leasing Co., Ltd. of Beijing, China pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank of 1945 Act, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

7453. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Regulatory Capital Rules: Regulatory Capital, Revisions to the Supplementary Leverage Ratio (RIN: 3064-AE12) received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7454. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final priority. Rehabilitation Training: Job-Driven Vocational Rehabilitation Technical Assistance Center [CFDA Number: 84.264A.] received October 15, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

7455. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendments to Excepted Benefits (RIN: 1210-AB60) received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

7456. A letter from the Director, Directorate of Construction, OSHA, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Cranes and Derricks in Construction: Operator Certification [Docket ID: OSHA-2007-0066] (RIN: 1218-AC86) received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

7457. A letter from the Acting Director, Directorate of Evaluation and Analysis, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting the Department's final rule — Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Reporting Requirements — NAICS Update and Reporting Revisions [Docket No.: OSHA-2010-0019] (RIN: 1218-AC50) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

7458. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revision to the Final Principles of Integrated Resource Planning for Use in Resource Acquisition and Transmission Planning received October 1, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7459. A letter from the Secretaries, Departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services, transmitting the Departments' report on Thefts, Losses, or Releases of Select Agents or Toxins for the period January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013, as required by the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107-188; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7460. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Allegheny County's Adoption of Control Techniques Guidelines for Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing; Flexible Package Printing; and Industrial Solvent Cleaning Operations for Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions [EPA-R03-OAR-2014-0476; FRL-9917-16-Region 3] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7461. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Section 110(a)(2) Prevention of Significant Deterioration Requirements for the 2008 Ozone and 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0211; EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0510; FRL-9917-17-Region 3] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7462. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Washington: General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources [EPA-R10-OAR-2014-0141; FRL-9917-10-Region 10] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7463. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — C9 Rich Aromatic Hydrocarbons, C10-11 Rich Aromatic Hydrocarbons, and C11-12 Rich Aromatic Hydrocarbons; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0517; FRL-9916-23] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7464. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of Arizona; Pinal County and Gila County; Pb; Correction [EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0266; FRL-9916-55-Region 9] received September 24, 2014 P4, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7465. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Fluensulfone; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0593; FRL-9914-35] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7466. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Generic Maximum Achievable Control Technology Standards; and Manufacture of Amino/Phenolic Resins [EPA-HQ-OAR-2012-0133; FRL-9916-90-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AR49) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7467. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs): Manufacturing (Import) Exemption for the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) [EPA-HQ-RCRA-2013-0396; FRL-9917-21-OSWER] (RIN: 2050-AG79) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7468. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revision of Air Quality Implementation Plan; California; Placer County Air Pollution Control District; Stationary Source Permits [EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0538; FRL-9915-51-Region 9] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7469. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the Arizona State Implementation Plan, Maricopa County Air Quality Department [EPA-R09-OAR-

2013-0297; FRL-9912-69-Region 9] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7470. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Thiabendazole; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0268; FRL-9915-78] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7471. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Amendments to Gasoline Vapor Recovery Requirements for Illinois [EPA-R05-OAR-2014-0123; FRL-9917-42-Region 5] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7472. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2008 Ozone, 2010 NO₂, and 2010 SO₂ NAAQS [EPA-R05-OAR-2011-0969; EPA-R05-OAR-2012-0991; EPA-R05-OAR-2013-0435; FRL-9917-60-Region 5] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7473. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2008 Lead NAAQS [EPA-R05-OAR-2011-0888; FRL-9917-61-Region 5] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7474. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS [EPA-R05-OAR-2011-0969; FRL-9917-62-Region 5] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7475. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; State Boards' Requirements [EPA-R03-OAR-2014-0629; FRL-9917-69-Region 3] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7476. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R03-OAR-2014-0299; FRL-9917-84-Region 3] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7477. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Revisions to the Nevada State Implementation Plan; Stationary Source Permits [EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0711; FRL-9917-81-Region 9] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7478. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Nevada; Clark County; Stationary Source Permits [EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0495; FRL-9917-82-Region 9] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7479. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan; California Air Resources Board — Consumer Products [EPA-R05-OAR-2014-0529; FRL-9915-53-Region 9] received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7480. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Amendment to Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries [EPA-HQ-SFUND-2014-0474; FRL-9917-28-OSWER] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7481. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia; Approval of the Redesignation Requests and Maintenance Plan of the Washington, DC-MD-VA Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Standard [EPA-R03-OAR-2014-0148; FRL-9917-39-Region 3] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7482. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Las Vegas Valley, Nevada; Redesignation to Attainment for PM₁₀ [EPA-R09-OAR-2013-0735; FRL-9917-23-Region 9] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7483. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Arkansas: Final Authorization of State-initiated Changes and Incorporation by Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management Program [EPA-R06-RCRA-2012-0793; FRL-9916-02-Region 6] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7484. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Fluoxastrobin; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0576; FRL-9916-28] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7485. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Identification of Nonattainment Classification and Deadlines for Submission of State Implementation Plan (SIP) Provisions for the 1977 Fine Particle (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) and 2006 PM_{2.5} NAAQS; Correction [EPA-HQ-OAR-2013-0694; FRL-9917-34-Region 5] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7486. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revision to the Idaho State

Implementation Plan; Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Idaho, Northern Ada County PM₁₀ Second Ten-Year Maintenance Plan and Pinehurst PM₁₀ Contingency Measures [EPA-R10-OAR-2013-0247; FRL-9917-38-Region 10] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7487. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan; Imperial County Air Pollution Control District and San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0460; FRL-9915-37-Region 9] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7488. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Tetraacetylenediamine and Its Metabolite, Diacetylenediamine; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0277; FRL-9916-44] received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7489. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Addition of Nonylphenol Category; Community Right-to-Know Toxic Chemical Release Reporting [EPA-HQ-TRI-2012-0110; FRL-9915-59-OEI] (RIN: 2025-AA34) received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7490. A letter from the Deputy Chief, CGB, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; Waivers of iTRS Mandatory Minimum Standards [CG Docket No.: 03-123] received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7491. A letter from the Program Analyst, Financial Operations, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2014; Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2013; Procedures for Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees [MD Docket No.: 14-92] [MD Docket No.: 13-140] [MD Docket No.: 12-201] received September 26, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7492. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Facilitating the Deployment of Text-to-911 and Other Next Generation 911 Applications; Framework for Next Generation 911 Deployment [PS Docket No.: 11-153] [PS Docket No.: 10-255] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7493. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications [WC Docket No.: 10-90] [WC Docket No.: 14-58] received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7494. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Revisions and Technical Corrections to Conform the Commission's Regulations to the

Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2013 [Docket No.: RM14-22-000] received September 29, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7495. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Safeguards Information — Modified Handling Categorization Change for Materials Facilities [NRC-2012-0140] (RIN: 3150-AJ18) received October 6, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7496. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Continued Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel [NRC-2012-0246] (RIN: 3150-AJ20) received October 6, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7497. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-48, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7498. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-49, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7499. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-37, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7500. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-47, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7501. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-54, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7502. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-27, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7503. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 14-50, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7504. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Addition and Modification of Certain Persons on the Entity List; and Removal of Certain Persons from the Entity List [Docket No.: 140609480-4770-01] (RIN: 0694-AG21) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7505. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Russian Sanctions: Addition of Persons to the Entity List and Restrictions on Certain Military End Uses and Military End Users [Docket No.: 1408114668-4758-01]

(RIN: 0694-AG28) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7506. A letter from the Census Bureau Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Foreign Trade Regulations (FTR): Reinstatement of Exemptions Related to Temporary Exports, Carnets, and Shipments Under a Temporary Import Bond [Docket Number: 140821699-4699-01] (RIN: 0607-AA53) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7507. A letter from the Director, Congressional Activities, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter regarding the annual report on the use or development of data mining; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7508. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 1(f) of Executive Order 13637, Transmittal No. 03-14 informing of an intent to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Republic of South Africa; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7509. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 1(f) of Executive Order 13637, Transmittal No. 12-14 informing of an intent to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Canada; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7510. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act of Executive Order 13637, Transmittal No. 12-14 informing of an intent to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of National Defense of Canada; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7511. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification for a Drawdown under section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, to provide non-lethal assistance to Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7512. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification for a Drawdown under section 522(c)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, to provide assistance to Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7513. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a memorandum of justification under section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide law enforcement and related assistance to Ukraine, Tunisia, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Panama, Nigeria, Albania, and Vietnam; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7514. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 14-076, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7515. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification for a Drawdown under section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, to provide assistance to Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7516. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Notification of the intention to exercise the authority under Section 552(c)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, to authorize the drawdown to provide assistance

to Ukraine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7517. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a determination of the Secretary with the intent to exercise his authority under section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7518. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment (Transmittal No. RSAT-13-3677); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7519. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report prepared by the Department of State concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7520. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment (Transmittal No. RSAT-13-3525); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7521. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergency Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7522. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c) pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7523. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting As required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Somalia that was declared in Executive Order 13536 of April 12, 2010; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7524. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergency Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo that was declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7525. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergency Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that was

declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7526. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of an Executive Order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared with respect to the Democratic Republic of the Congo in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006 to continue in effect beyond October 27, 2013; (H. Doc. No. 113—159); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7527. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938, as amended, is to continue in effect for 1 year beyond November 14, 2014; (H. Doc. No. 113—166); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7528. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency declared with respect to Sudan is to continue in effect beyond November 3, 2014; (H. Doc. No. 113—167); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7529. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the emergency declared with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia is to continue in effect for one year beyond October 21, 2014; (H. Doc. No. 113—168); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7530. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a notice authorizing the Secretaries of Defense and Homeland Security to order the Selected Reserve and certain members of the Individual Ready Reserve to active duty to augment the active forces in support of Operation United Assistance; (H. Doc. No. 113—169); to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed.

7531. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter regarding the U.S. Armed Forces conducting operations in a variety of locations against al-Qa'ida and associated forces; (H. Doc. No. 113—170); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7532. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter directing the deployment of up to 475 additional U.S. Armed Forces personnel to Iraq; (H. Doc. No. 113—171); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7533. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-437, "Voter Registration Access and Modernization Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7534. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-440, "Special Election Reform Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7535. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-439, "Critical Infrastructure Freedom of Information Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7536. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-441, "Business Improvement Districts Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7537. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-442, "Extension of Time to Dispose of the Strand Theater Tem-

porary Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7538. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-443, "Medical Marijuana Expansion Temporary Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7539. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-425, "Small and Certified Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Waiver Certification Temporary Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7540. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-438, "Workers' Compensation Statute of Limitations Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7541. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-423, "Sustainable Solid Waste Management Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7542. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. Act 20-424, "Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Support Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7543. A letter from the Chairperson, Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, transmitting the Council's annual report entitled, "A Progress Report to the President, Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7544. A letter from the Human Resources Specialist, Department of Defense, transmitting three reports pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7545. A letter from the Human Resources Specialist, Department of Defense, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7546. A letter from the Human Resources Specialist, Department of Defense, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7547. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7548. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7549. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7550. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting thirty-two reports pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7551. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting two reports pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7552. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7553. A letter from the Director of Global Operations, International Broadcasting Bureau, transmitting Fiscal Year 2014 Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act submission; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7554. A letter from the Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NARA Records Subject of FOIA [FDMS No.: NARA-14-0003; Agency No. NARA-2014-057] (RIN: 3095-AB73) received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7555. A letter from the Acting Chief, Government Affairs Division, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7556. A letter from the General Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting two reports pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7557. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Flag Recognition Benefit for Fallen Federal Civilian Employees (RIN: 3206-AM58) received October 2, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7558. A letter from the Senior Associate General Counsel, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7559. A letter from the Acting Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Nursing Facility Quality of Care Fund is Improving the Lives of District Residents but Additional Oversight Necessary"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7560. A letter from the Acting Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Status Report on Implementation of District of Columbia Auditor Recommendations"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7561. A letter from the General Counsel, Peace Corps, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7562. A letter from the Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General, transmitting a management advisory report — Child Care Waitlist Advisory; to the Committee on House Administration.

7563. A letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, transmitting the quarterly report of receipts and expenditures of appropriations and other funds for the period July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014 as compiled by the Chief Administrative Officer, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 104a Public Law 88-454; (H. Doc. No. 113—156); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

7564. A letter from the Division Chief, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Minerals Management: Adjustment of Cost Recovery Fees [L13100000 PP0000 11WO310000] (RIN: 1004-AE36) received September 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7565. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and

Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Concessions Contracts [NPS-WASO-16649; PX.XVPAD0517.00.1] (RIN: 1024-AE22) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7566. A letter from the Regulatory Liaison, Writer/Editor, ONRR, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Clarification of Appeal Procedures [Docket No.: ONRR-2011-0017; DS63610000 DR2PS0000.CH7000 145D0102R2] (RIN: 1012-AA08) received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7567. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental to Commercial Fishing Operations; Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan Regulations [Docket No.: 130201095-4400-02] (RIN: 0648-BC90) received August 8, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7568. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Skate Fishery; Framework Adjustment 2 [Docket No.: 140220160-4692-02] (RIN: 0648-BD99) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7569. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Greenland Turbot in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 131021878-4158-02] (RIN: 0648-XD473) received September 18, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7570. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States [Docket No.: 140128077-4691-02] (RIN: 0648-BD93) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7571. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Kamchatka Flounder in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 131021878-4158-02] (RIN: 0648-XD463) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7572. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Listing Determinations on Proposal to List 66 Reef-Building Coral Species and to Reclassify Elkhorn and Staghorn Corals [Docket No.: 0911231415-4826-04] (RIN: 0648-XT12) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7573. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bering Sea

and Aleutian Islands Management Area; Amendment 105 [Docket No.: 130424402-4775-02] (RIN: 0648-BD23) received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7574. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 130925836-4174-02] (RIN: 0648-XD509) received October 6, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7575. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — International Fisheries; Pacific Tuna Fisheries; Fishing Restrictions in the Eastern Pacific Ocean, Whale Shark Conservation Measures [Docket No.: 130722645-4769-02] (RIN: 0648-BD53) received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7576. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area; American Fisheries Act; Amendment 106 [Docket No.: 130530519-4742-02] (RIN: 0648-BD35) received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7577. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2072; (H. Doc. No. 113—161); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

7578. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendments to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2072; (H. Doc. No. 113—162); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

7579. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2072; (H. Doc. No. 113—163); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

7580. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendments to the Federal Rules of Evidence that have been adopted by the Supreme Court, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2072; (H. Doc. No. 113—164); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

7581. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendment to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2075; (H. Doc. No. 113—165); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

7582. A letter from the Chairman, Administrative Conference of the United States, transmitting the Conference's final rule — Adoption of Recommendations received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

7583. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's determination on a petition on behalf of workers employed at General Atomics, in La Jolla, California, to

be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC), pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

7584. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Annual Report to Congress on the implementation, enforcement, and prosecution of registration requirements under Section 635 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-248)(AWA); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

7585. A letter from the Acting Deputy Chief Counsel, Regulations and Security Standards, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Cessation of the Aviation Security Infrastructure Fee (ASIF) [Docket No.: TSA-2002-11334; Amendment No. 1511-3] (RIN: 1652-AA01) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7586. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Taylor Bayou Outfall Canal (Joint Outfall Canal), TX [Docket No.: USCG-2014-0386] received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7587. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Personal Flotation Devices Labeling and Standards [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0263] (RIN: 1625-AC02) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7588. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Riverside Music Festival, Missouri River, mile 372.0; Riverside, MO [Docket Number: USCG-2014-0700] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7589. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; International Jet Sports Boating Association World Finals; Lake Havasu City, AZ [Docket No.: USCG-2014-0610] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7590. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; San Diego Sharkfest Swim; San Diego Bay, San Diego, CA [Docket No.: USCG-2014-0695] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7591. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; 2014 Life Time Tri; Oceanside Harbor, Oceanside, CA [Docket No.: USCG-2014-0772] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7592. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulation; Seattle Seafair Unlimited Hydroplane Race, Lake Washington, WA [Docket Number: USCG-2013-1018] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7593. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety

Zone; IncreDoubleman Triathlon, Lake Ontario, Sackets Harbor, NY [Docket Number: USCG-2014-0745] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7594. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Shipping and Transportation; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments [Docket No.: USCG-2014-0688] (RIN: 1625-ZA33) received September 25, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7595. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0794; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-157-AD; Amendment 39-17936; AD 2014-16-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7596. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0137; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-135-AD; Amendment 39-17960; AD 2014-17-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7597. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Pine Knot, KY [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0441; Airspace Docket No. 13-ASO-11] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7598. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class D and Amendment of Class E Airspace; Blackstone, VA [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0220; Airspace Docket No. 14-AEA-5] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7599. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Cynthiana, KY [Docket No.: FAA-2013-1074; Airspace Docket No. 13-ASO-26] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7600. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification and Establishment of Area Navigation (RNAV) Routes; Western United States [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0271; Airspace Docket No. 13-AWP-16] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7601. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Restricted Areas R-2901A, B, G, H, J, K, L, and N; Avon Park, FL [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0703; Airspace Docket No. 13-ASO-22] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7602. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; Northeast, ME [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0273; Airspace Docket No. 14-ANE-2]

(RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7603. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airspace Designations; Incorporation By Reference [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0450; Amendment No. 71-46] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7604. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0088; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-233-AD; Amendment 39-17703; AD 2013-25-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7605. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; APEX Aircraft Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0647; Directorate Identifier 2014-CE-027-AD; Amendment 39-17967; AD 2014-18-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7606. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of VOR Federal Airway V-298 in the Vicinity of Pasco, WA [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0369; Airspace Docket No. 14-ANM-4] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7607. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification and Revocation of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes in the Vicinity of Sandusky, OH [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0274; Airspace Docket No. 13-AGL-23] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7608. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0588; Directorate Identifier 2014-NM-150-AD; Amendment 39-17963; AD 2014-17-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7609. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems (Operations) Limited Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-1026; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-173-AD; Amendment 39-17942; AD 2014-16-18] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7610. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0145; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-183-AD; Amendment 39-17945; AD 2014-16-21] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7611. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Embraer S.A. Air-

planes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0172; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-222-AD; Amendment 39-17929; AD 2014-16-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7612. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Technify Motors GmbH Reciprocating Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0179; Directorate Identifier 2014-NE-03-AD; Amendment 39-17956; AD 2014-17-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7613. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0190; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-188-AD; Amendment 39-17959; AD 2014-17-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7614. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace LP (Type Certificate Previously Held by Israel Aircraft Industries, Ltd.) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0003; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-103-AD; Amendment 39-17922; AD 2014-15-19] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7615. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Pratt & Whitney Canada Corp. Turboprop Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0766; Directorate Identifier 2013-NE-26-AD; Amendment 39-17961; AD 2014-17-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7616. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0978; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-120-AD; Amendment 39-17958; AD 2014-17-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7617. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Flagstaff, AZ [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0957; Airspace Docket No. 13-AWP-18] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7618. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of Class E Airspace; Hulett, WY [Docket No.: FAA-2013-1016; Airspace Docket No. 13-ANM-25] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7619. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification and Revocation of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; North Central United States [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0960; Airspace Docket No. 13-AGL-17] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7620. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30976; Amdt. No. 515] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7621. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30973; Amdt. No. 3604] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7622. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30972; Amdt. No. 3603] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7623. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Albuquerque, NM [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0994; Airspace Docket No.: 13-ASW-29] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7624. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; DASSAULT AVIATION Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0423; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-176-AD; Amendment 39-17714; AD 2013-26-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7625. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation (Sikorsky) Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0216; Directorate Identifier 2013-SW-045-AD; Amendment 39-17964; AD 2014-07-04R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7626. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; DG Flugzeugbau GmbH Gliders [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0929; Directorate Identifier 2013-CE-031-AD; Amendment 39-17968; AD 2013-22-14 R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7627. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Embraer S.A. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0390; Directorate Identifier 2014-CE-013-AD; Amendment 39-17969; AD 2014-19-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7628. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0464; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-010-AD; Amendment 39-17974; AD 2014-16-23] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5

U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7629. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0061; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-029-AD; Amendment 39-17949; AD 2014-16-25] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7630. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Rockwell Collins, Inc. Transponders [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0326; Directorate Identifier 2013-CE-051-AD; Amendment 39-17965; AD 2014-18-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7631. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0623; Directorate Identifier 2014-NM-139-AD; Amendment 39-17966; AD 2014-18-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7632. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Various de Havilland Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0617; Directorate Identifier 2014-CE-019-AD; Amendment 39-17962; AD 2014-17-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7633. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0298; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-175-AD; Amendment 39-17522; AD 2013-15-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7634. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Emergency Relief Program [Docket No.: FTA-2013-0004] (RIN: 2132-AB13) received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7635. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airports/Locations: Special Operating Restrictions [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0458; Amendment No. 91-333] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7636. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class D Airspace; Wichita, McConnell AFB, KS [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0294; Airspace Docket No. 14-ACE-2] received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7637. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30975; Amdt. No. 3606] received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7638. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 30974; Amdt. No. 3605] received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7639. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Helicopter Air Ambulance, Commercial Helicopter, and Part 91 Helicopter Operations; Clarification [Docket No.: FAA-2010-0982] (RIN: 2120-AJ53) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7640. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0144; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-232-AD; Amendment 39-17970; AD 2014-19-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7641. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class B Airspace; Washington Tri-Area, DC [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0713; Airspace Docket No. 14-AWA-1] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7642. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification, Revocation and Establishment of Multiple Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; North Central and Northeast United States [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0295; Airspace Docket No. 14-AGL-6] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7643. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0343; Directorate Identifier 2014-NM-077-AD; Amendment 39-17971; AD 2014-19-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7644. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0291; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-137-AD; Amendment 39-17972; AD 2014-19-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7645. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0424; Directorate Identifier 2014-NM-003-AD; Amendment 39-17976; AD 2014-20-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7646. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0672; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-058-AD; Amendment 39-17975; AD 2014-20-02] (RIN:

2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7647. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2013-0792; Directorate Identifier 2013-NM-118-AD; Amendment 39-17979; AD 2014-20-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7648. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshift Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0164; Directorate Identifier 2014-NE-02-AD; Amendment 39-17973; AD 2014-19-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received October 3, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7649. A letter from the Attorney, Office of Regulation and Enforcement, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Disadvantaged Business Enterprise: Program Implementation Modifications [Docket No.: OST-2012-0147] (RIN: 2105-AE08) received October 15, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7650. A letter from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund (RIN: 1505-AC49) received October 16, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7651. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Water Quality Standards for the State of Florida's Lakes and Flowing Waters; Withdrawal [EPA-HQ-OW-2009-0596; FRL-9916-62-OW] (RIN: 2040-AF50) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7652. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting a final environmental impact report on the Sutter Basin Project in Sutter and Butte Counties, California; (H. Doc. No. 113—157); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

7653. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Protective Services Enforcement [Docket Number: 2014-0009] (RIN: 2700-AE10) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

7654. A letter from the Acting Director, Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Payment or Reimbursement for Certain Medical Expenses for Camp Lejeune Family Members (RIN: 2900-AO79) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

7655. A letter from the Acting Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Claims and Appeals Forms (RIN: 2900-AO81) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

7656. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of

Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hospital Care and Medical Services for Camp Lejeune Veterans (RIN: 2900-AO78) received September 22, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

7657. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report on wait-time goals of the Veterans Health Administration; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

7658. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a report on the operation and status of certain federal fund accounts for the debt issuance suspension period that ended on February 15, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 8348(1); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7659. A letter from the Deputy Director, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; CY 2015 Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts [CMS-8056-N] (RIN: 0938-AR94) received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7660. A letter from the Deputy Director, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; CY 2015 Part A Premiums for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement [CMS-8057-N] (RIN: 0938-AR96) received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7661. A letter from the Chief, Border Security Regulations, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Technical Amendment to List of User Fee Airports: Addition of John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana, California and Renaming of Williams Gateway Airport in Mesa, Arizona to Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport [CBP Dec. 14-10] received September 23, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7662. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Small Brewers Bond Reduction and Requirement to File Tax Returns, Remit Tax Payments and Submit Reports Quarterly [Docket No.: TTB-2012-0006; T.D. TTB-123; Re: Notice No. 131 and T.D. TTB-109] (RIN: 1513-AB94) received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7663. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Electronic Submission of Forms, the Finished Products Records for Distilled Spirits Plants, and Closures on Certain Distilled Spirits Products; Correction [Docket No.: TTB-2014-0004; T.D. TTB-119A; Re: T.D. TTB-119] (RIN: 1513-AB97) received October 9, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7664. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rules Regarding Inversions and Related Transactions [Notice 2014-52] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7665. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2014-2015 Special Per Diem Rates [Notice 2014-57] received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7666. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service,

transmitting the Service's final rule — Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula (Revenue Ruling 2014-25) received October 1, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7667. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Employee Retirement Benefit Plan Returns Required on Magnetic Media [TD 9695] (RIN: 1545-BL54) received September 29, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7668. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Amendments to Excepted Benefits [TD 9697] (RIN: 1545-BL90) received October 1, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7669. A letter from the Branch Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Extension of Replacement Period for Livestock Sold on Account of Drought [Notice 2014-60] received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7670. A letter from the Branch Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Local Lodging Expenses [TD 9696] (RIN: 1545-BH60) received October 7, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7671. A letter from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting the sixteenth annual report on the Andean Trade Preference Act (ATPA) entitled "Impact on U.S. Industries and Consumers and on Drug Crop Eradication and Crop Substitution, 2013"; pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 3204; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7672. A letter from the Acting Director, Acquisition Policy and Legislation, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation; Lead System Integrators [HSAR Case 2009-003] [Docket No.: DHS-2009-0006] (RIN: 1601-AA49) received September 24, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Homeland Security.

7673. A letter from the Secretary, Department of State, transmitting a report entitled, "Recovery Auditing in the Medicare and Medicaid Program for Fiscal Year 2013"; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

7674. A letter from the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's budget request for fiscal year 2016, in accordance with Section 7(f) of the Railroad Retirement Act; jointly to the Committees on Appropriations, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 2026. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to exempt certain silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements, and for other purposes (Rept. 113-607). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 3678. A bill to

redesignate the lock and dam located in Modoc, Illinois, commonly known as the Kaskaskia Lock and Dam, as the "Jerry F. Costello Lock and Dam", and for other purposes (Rept. 113-608). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 4854. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify when the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency has the authority to prohibit the specification of a defined area, or deny or restrict the use of a defined area for specification, as a disposal site under section 404 of such Act, and for other purposes (Rept. 113-609). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 4962. A bill to designate the "James L. Oberstar Memorial Highway" and the "James L. Oberstar National Scenic Byway" in the State of Minnesota, with amendments (Rept. 113-610). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5146. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 700 Grant Street in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the "Joseph F. Weis Jr. United States Courthouse" (Rept. 113-611). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5266. A bill to reauthorize the National Estuary Programs, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 113-612). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House of the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5448. A bill to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (Rept. 113-613). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House of the state of the Union.

Mr. CAMP: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 647. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 113-614, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House of the state of the Union.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3326. A bill to provide for an exchange of land between the United States and the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving a parcel of National Forest System land in Shasta-Trinity National Forest; with an amendment (Rept. 113-615). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House of the state of the Union.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4846. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Arapaho National Forest, Colorado, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 113-616). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House of the state of the Union.

Mr. SESSIONS: House Committee on Rules. House Resolution 748. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5682) to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline (Rept. 113-617). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 5167. A bill to direct the Administrator of General Services, on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, to convey certain Federal property located in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska to the Olgonik Corporation, an Alaska Native Corporation established under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; with an amendment (Rept. 113-618). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 4012. A bill to prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency from proposing, finalizing, or disseminating regulations or assessments based upon science that is not transparent or reproducible (Rept. 113-619). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 647 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. ROYCE (for himself, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. HOLDING):

H.R. 5681. A bill to provide for the approval of the Amendment to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for Cooperation on the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. CASSIDY:

H.R. 5682. A bill to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DESANTIS (for himself and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 5683. A bill to ensure appropriate judicial review of Federal Government actions by amending the prohibition on the exercise of jurisdiction by the United States Court of Federal Claims of certain claims pending in other courts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HUFFMAN:

H.R. 5684. A bill to direct the Commandant of the Coast Guard to convey certain property from the United States to the County of Marin, California; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MCCAUL (for himself and Mr. ROYCE):

H.R. 5685. A bill to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require congressional notification not less than 15 days after a reward is authorized under the Rewards for Justice Program of the Department of State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. CULBERSON (for himself and Mr. O'ROURKE):

H.R. 5686. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the Physician Ambassadors Helping Veterans Program to seek to employ physicians at the Department of Veterans Affairs on a without compensation basis in practice areas and specialties with staffing shortages and long appointment waiting times; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. HAHN (for herself, Ms. BASS, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BERA of California, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CARDENAS, Ms. CHU, Mr. COOK, Mr.

COSTA, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. DENHAM, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FARR, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. ISSA, Mr. LAMALFA, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. MCCARTHY of California, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. NEGRETE MCLEOD, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. PETERS of California, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 5687. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 East Market Street in Long Beach, California, as the "Juanita Millender-McDonald Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas (for himself and Mr. MARCHANT):

H.R. 5688. A bill to impose special limitations on the issuance of visas to, and the admission into the United States of, aliens having certain associations with countries with widespread and intense transmissions of Ebola Virus Disease; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MULLIN:

H.R. 5689. A bill to allow the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma to lease or transfer certain lands; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 5690. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit tax-exempt status to professional sports leagues that promote the use of the term redskins; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PEARCE:

H.R. 5691. A bill to release wilderness study areas administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Luna and Hidalgo Counties, New Mexico that are not suitable for wilderness designation from continued management as de facto wilderness areas; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 5692. A bill to restrict passports for travel to or use in certain countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 5693. A bill to prohibit the issuance of visas to, and the admission into the United States of, an alien during the 30-day period following the presence of the alien in Guinea, Liberia, or Sierra Leone; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROSS (for himself, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, and Mr. POSEY):

H.R. 5694. A bill to prohibit certain flights from landing in the United States and to prohibit the issuance of certain visas to protect the United States from the Ebola virus disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. VARGAS (for himself and Mr. PETERS of California):

H.R. 5695. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, include foreign terrorist organizations as enemies of the United States for purposes of treason, and for other purposes;

to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Ms. GABBARD):
H. Res. 749. A resolution congratulating and honoring Kailash Satyarthi, recipient of the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. GABBARD, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. CLAWSON of Florida, and Ms. CASTOR of Florida):

H. Res. 750. A resolution congratulating and honoring Malala Yousafzai, recipient of the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. MENG (for herself, Ms. CHU, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. TITUS, Mr. SABLON, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. HONDA, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. MOORE, and Ms. SPEIER):

H. Res. 751. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of the Chinese railroad workers from 1865 to 1869, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. O'ROURKE:

H. Res. 752. A resolution congratulating Marcel Closset, a French citizen and former member of the French Resistance who was instrumental in saving a United States Army Air Corps pilot during World War II, for receiving the French Legion of Honor; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. ROYCE:

H.R. 5681.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. CASSIDY:

H.R. 5682.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. DESANTIS:

H.R. 5683.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The constitutional authority on which this legislation is based is found in article I, section 8, clause 9; article III, section 1, clause 1; and article III, section 2, clause 2, of the Constitution, which grant Congress authority over federal courts.

By Mr. HUFFMAN:

H.R. 5684.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2: The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States.

By Mr. MCCAUL:

H.R. 5685.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8

By Mr. CULBERSON:

H.R. 5686.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States of America.

By Ms. HAHN:

H.R. 5687.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
According to Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: of the United States Constitution, seen below, this bill falls within the Constitutional Authority of the United States Congress.

Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 5688.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 4

The Congress shall have Power . . . To establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States.

By Mr. MULLIN:

H.R. 5689.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: The Congress shall have Power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 5690.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. PEARCE:

H.R. 5691.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 4, Section 3, Clause 2 of the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the power to enact this law.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 5692.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 3 and 18

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 5693.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8, Clause 4

By Mr. ROSS:

H.R. 5694.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Sec. 8, Clause 3

By Mr. VARGAS:

H.R. 5695.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
(1) To establish a uniform Rule of Naturalization, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 4 of the U.S. Constitution;

(2) To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution;

(3) To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution;

(4) To define and punish piracies and felonies committed on the high seas, and offenses against the law of nations, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 10 of the U.S. Constitution; and

(5) Treason against the United States, shall consist only in levying war against them, or in adhering to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on confession in open court. The Congress shall have power to declare the punishment of treason, but no attainder of treason shall work corruption of blood, or forfeiture except during the life of the person attainted, as enumerated in Article III, Section III of the U.S. Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 20: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 36: Mr. HARPER.
H.R. 183: Mr. GIBSON.
H.R. 223: Mr. ISRAEL.
H.R. 366: Mr. GRAYSON.
H.R. 401: Mr. YOUNG of Indiana.
H.R. 411: Mr. ENYART, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. MASSIE, and Mr. LANGEVIN.
H.R. 460: Mrs. KIRKPATRICK and Mr. THOMPSON of California.
H.R. 477: Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.
H.R. 482: Ms. KELLY of Illinois.
H.R. 543: Mr. SABLON, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. LUETKE-MEYER.
H.R. 630: Mr. CONNOLLY.
H.R. 649: Ms. HAHN.
H.R. 708: Mr. CLEAVER and Ms. SHEA-POR-TER.
H.R. 713: Mr. POMPEO.
H.R. 721: Mr. LANGEVIN.
H.R. 728: Ms. SPEIER.
H.R. 741: Mr. BRALEY of Iowa.
H.R. 792: Mr. RENACCI and Mr. DENT.
H.R. 997: Mr. MULLIN.
H.R. 1015: Mr. NEAL, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. KUSTER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. MCKINLEY, and Mr. ROGERS of Michigan.
H.R. 1030: Mr. CUMMINGS.
H.R. 1070: Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. COOK, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. TONKO, Mr. HANNA, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. WELCH, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Mr. JOYCE, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. HINOJOSA.
H.R. 1094: Mr. DENT and Mr. PIERLUISI.
H.R. 1146: Mr. LIPINSKI.
H.R. 1240: Mr. RUSH, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, and Ms. DUCKWORTH.
H.R. 1274: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 1284: Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, and Mr. JONES.
H.R. 1318: Mr. YOHIO.
H.R. 1365: Mr. HONDA.

H.R. 1428: Mr. RICHMOND.
H.R. 1461: Mr. JORDAN.
H.R. 1505: Mr. CLAWSON of Florida.
H.R. 1507: Mrs. NAPOLITANO and Mr. KILMER.
H.R. 1518: Mr. HUELSKAMP.
H.R. 1527: Mr. STIVERS.
H.R. 1563: Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. NEAL, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. HOLT, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. COLE, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. MCALLISTER, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, and Mr. CONNOLLY.
H.R. 1601: Ms. MATSUI and Ms. BASS.
H.R. 1653: Mr. CAPUANO.
H.R. 1699: Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mrs. NEGRETE McLEOD.
H.R. 1725: Ms. MATSUI.
H.R. 1750: Mr. MESSER and Mr. YOHO.
H.R. 1751: Mr. ISRAEL.
H.R. 1761: Ms. BROWN of Florida and Mr. LYNCH.
H.R. 1783: Mr. ENGEL.
H.R. 1812: Ms. BASS, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, and Mr. VARGAS.
H.R. 1821: Ms. KAPTUR.
H.R. 1837: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.
H.R. 1861: Ms. SINEMA.
H.R. 1882: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.
H.R. 1921: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 1936: Mr. O'ROURKE.
H.R. 1941: Mr. WAXMAN and Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.
H.R. 1953: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mr. LARSEN of Washington.
H.R. 1981: Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. HONDA.
H.R. 1998: Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. FOSTER, and Ms. JACKSON LEE.
H.R. 2012: Mr. LYNCH.
H.R. 2101: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. DAVIS of California, and Mr. TONKO.
H.R. 2130: Ms. MOORE.
H.R. 2139: Mr. TIBERI and Mr. RENACCI.
H.R. 2224: Mr. CUMMINGS.
H.R. 2282: Mr. COHEN.
H.R. 2302: Mr. FOSTER and Mr. CLAWSON of Florida.
H.R. 2350: Mr. SCHIFF.
H.R. 2366: Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.
H.R. 2384: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. COHEN, Ms. KUSTER, and Mr. SCHIFF.
H.R. 2415: Mr. RYAN of Ohio.
H.R. 2450: Mr. CONNOLLY.
H.R. 2499: Mr. DOGGETT.
H.R. 2523: Mr. JEFFRIES and Mr. NEAL.
H.R. 2591: Ms. SCHWARTZ and Ms. ESHOO.
H.R. 2676: Mr. HOLT.
H.R. 2686: Mr. MEEHAN.
H.R. 2694: Mr. BARR.
H.R. 2697: Mr. CUMMINGS and Mr. ELLISON.
H.R. 2743: Mr. COLLINS of New York.
H.R. 2758: Mr. SHERMAN.
H.R. 2852: Ms. MATSUI.
H.R. 2856: Ms. MATSUI, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. UPTON, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mr. HIGGINS, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. VELA, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. WAXMAN, and Ms. DUCKWORTH.
H.R. 2989: Ms. LOFGREN.
H.R. 3050: Mr. NADLER.
H.R. 3090: Mr. PERLMUTTER and Mr. HUFFMAN.
H.R. 3116: Mr. KENNEDY.
H.R. 3118: Mr. KEATING.
H.R. 3142: Mr. VEASEY.
H.R. 3150: Ms. LOFGREN.
H.R. 3229: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.
H.R. 3297: Mr. RANGEL.
H.R. 3305: Mr. LOWENTHAL.
H.R. 3400: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 3434: Mr. MCKINLEY.
H.R. 3453: Mrs. LOWEY.

H.R. 3461: Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.
H.R. 3465: Ms. DELBENE, Mr. DEFazio, and Ms. LOFGREN.
H.R. 3471: Mr. VISCLOSKEY.
H.R. 3489: Mr. ROKITA and Mr. HANNA.
H.R. 3490: Mr. ELLISON.
H.R. 3513: Ms. LEE of California.
H.R. 3531: Mr. ROKITA.
H.R. 3556: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 3680: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. GARAMENDI.
H.R. 3698: Mr. DOYLE and Mr. SMITH of Washington.
H.R. 3708: Mr. GERLACH, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. WOMACK, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. TURNER.
H.R. 3717: Mr. JONES.
H.R. 3722: Mr. SESSIONS.
H.R. 3740: Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 3742: Mr. RUSH, Mr. HARPER, and Mr. ROGERS of Michigan.
H.R. 3833: Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. THOMPSON of California, and Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 3877: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 3899: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 3902: Mr. WELCH, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. HANNA, and Mr. TIERNEY.
H.R. 3992: Ms. SPEIER, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, and Mr. McDERMOTT.
H.R. 4008: Mr. STOCKMAN.
H.R. 4012: Mr. ADERHOLT.
H.R. 4060: Mr. MESSER, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, and Mr. YOHO.
H.R. 4128: Mr. TONKO.
H.R. 4136: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 4144: Mr. SESSIONS.
H.R. 4169: Ms. PINGREE of Maine.
H.R. 4190: Ms. LEE of California, Mr. YARMUTH, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. CHU, Mr. GOODLATTE, and Mr. O'ROURKE.
H.R. 4202: Mr. ELLISON.
H.R. 4208: Mr. HECK of Washington.
H.R. 4217: Mr. MILLER of Florida.
H.R. 4223: Mr. COFFMAN.
H.R. 4249: Mr. ENGEL.
H.R. 4305: Mr. SERRANO.
H.R. 4351: Mr. RUIZ, Mr. HANNA, Mr. DENT, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. SPEIER, and Mr. SARBANES.
H.R. 4437: Mr. HANNA.
H.R. 4445: Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 4446: Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. ESTY, and Mr. OLSON.
H.R. 4475: Mr. SALMON.
H.R. 4510: Mr. NEUGEBAUER and Mr. ELLISON.
H.R. 4517: Ms. BONAMICI.
H.R. 4521: Mr. BARROW of Georgia.
H.R. 4543: Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 4577: Ms. CHU, Mr. FARR, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. JOYCE.
H.R. 4578: Mr. HANNA.
H.R. 4580: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California and Mr. COOPER.
H.R. 4582: Mr. LARSEN of Washington and Mr. LEVIN.
H.R. 4592: Mr. COFFMAN.
H.R. 4616: Mr. LAMBORN and Mr. HUFFMAN.
H.R. 4664: Mrs. NAPOLITANO and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.
H.R. 4679: Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, and Mr. KILDEE.
H.R. 4717: Mr. HULTGREN.
H.R. 4746: Mr. BLUMENAUER.
H.R. 4748: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut and Mr. McDERMOTT.
H.R. 4755: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.
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H.R. 4815: Mr. CONYERS.
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H.R. 4847: Mr. RANGEL.
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H.R. 4878: Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio.
H.R. 4887: Mrs. NEGRETE McLEOD and Ms. SPEIER.

H.R. 4920: Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. LANCE, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. MASSIE, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, and Mr. BYRNE.
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H.R. 5009: Mr. CONNOLLY.
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H.R. 5012: Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. CASTOR of Florida.
H.R. 5024: Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. CONYERS, and Mrs. BEATTY.
H.R. 5052: Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 5059: Mr. LAMBORN, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. GRAYSON, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. KLINE, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. JONES, Mr. CRENSHAW, and Mr. AL GREEN of Texas.
H.R. 5065: Ms. TSONGAS.
H.R. 5069: Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas.
H.R. 5083: Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. ROKITA, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. JOYCE, and Mr. BYRNE.
H.R. 5087: Mr. SERRANO, Mr. CROWLEY, and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.
H.R. 5095: Mr. COHEN.
H.R. 5098: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska and Mr. COOK.
H.R. 5119: Mr. MEADOWS.
H.R. 5128: Mr. SHERMAN and Ms. LEE of California.
H.R. 5130: Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. ESTY, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. YARMUTH.
H.R. 5136: Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. FOSTER, and Ms. BONAMICI.
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H.R. 5159: Mrs. NAPOLITANO and Ms. SPEIER.
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H.R. 5207: Ms. SEWELL of Alabama.
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H.R. 5233: Mr. NUNNELEE and Mr. PALLONE.
H.R. 5241: Mr. ENGEL.
H.R. 5252: Mr. SALMON.
H.R. 5267: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. NADLER, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. MOORE, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. KILMER, Mr. ISRAEL and Mrs. CAPPS.
H.R. 5320: Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, and Ms. SEWELL of Alabama.
H.R. 5327: Mr. VARGAS.
H.R. 5338: Mrs. NAPOLITANO.
H.R. 5353: Mr. O'ROURKE and Ms. LEE of California.
H.R. 5362: Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 5364: Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. HONDA, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. HAHN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. LEE

of California, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. TONKO, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CLAY, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. MENG, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 5367: Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 5382: Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 5391: Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. KEATING, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. JONES, Mrs. BACHMANN, Ms. BORDALLO and Mr. LANCE.

H.R. 5403: Mr. LATTA, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. BYRNE, Mr. GRAYSON, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. PERRY, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. JOLLY, Mrs. BUSTOS, Ms. ESTY, Mr. COBLE, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mrs. ELLMERS, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. COOPER, Mr. WELCH, Mr. KILMER, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. FINCHER, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. MULVANEY, and Mr. BARLETTA.

H.R. 5417: Mr. JONES, Mr. ROONEY, Mr. STOCKMAN, and Mrs. MILLER of Michigan.

H.R. 5430: Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. DELANEY, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. PETERS of Michigan, Mr. RUSH, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 5441: Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. PALAZZO, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. STEWART, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. GIBSON, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. BARBER, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. WELCH, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mrs. LUMMIS, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. FOSTER.

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H.R. 5447: Mr. STOCKMAN and Mr. MEADOWS.

H.R. 5469: Mr. WALZ.

H.R. 5474: Mr. PETRI.

H.R. 5475: Mr. ENYART.

H.R. 5476: Mr. COOK.

H.R. 5480: Mr. BURGESS and Mr. POMPEO.

H.R. 5481: Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. CLAWSON of Florida, Mr. JONES, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. MCHENRY, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. ROKITA, and Mr. NUNNELEE.

H.R. 5484: Mr. LOBIONDO.

H.R. 5485: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H.R. 5486: Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 5500: Mr. CRAMER.

H.R. 5503: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ and Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 5505: Mr. COFFMAN and Mr. NUNNELEE.

H.R. 5515: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 5517: Mr. NADLER, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. COHEN, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Ms. WILSON of Florida.

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H.R. 5525: Mr. PETERS of California.

H.R. 5533: Ms. BASS.

H.R. 5539: Mr. NEAL.

H.R. 5548: Mr. HIGGINS and Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.

H.R. 5555: Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. FLORES.

H.R. 5556: Mr. SCHWEIKERT.

H.R. 5575: Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 5599: Mr. FLEISCHMANN.

H.R. 5623: Mr. RANGEL and Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 5644: Mr. DEFazio, Mr. DENT, Ms. NORTON, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. HOLT, Mr. HANNA, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. HECK of Nevada, Mr. TERRY, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. PETRI, Mr. O'ROURKE, and Mr. BYRNE.

H.R. 5650: Mr. BILIRAKIS.

H.R. 5655: Mr. NEAL, Mr. HIGGINS, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 5656: Mr. FORTENBERRY.

H.R. 5661: Mr. ELLISON.

H.R. 5673: Mr. WEBER of Texas and Mr. FARENTHOLD.

H.J. Res. 16: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.

H.J. Res. 24: Mr. POLIS.

H.J. Res. 44: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.J. Res. 47: Mr. LATTA.

H.J. Res. 68: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.J. Res. 119: Mr. WALZ, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, and Ms. MENG.

H. Con. Res. 40: Mr. MASSIE.

H. Con. Res. 52: Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. LOBIONDO, and Mr. MATHESON.

H. Con. Res. 91: Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. McDERMOTT.

H. Con. Res. 114: Mr. FARR, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. TAKANO.

H. Res. 109: Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California.

H. Res. 284: Mr. THORNBERRY.

H. Res. 428: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. DOGGETT, and Mr. ELLISON.

H. Res. 456: Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.

H. Res. 477: Mr. QUIGLEY.

H. Res. 536: Mr. TERRY.

H. Res. 620: Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. STEWART, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. GIBSON, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. YOHO, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsyl-

vania, Mr. HARPER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. PITTINGER, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. LAMBORN, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. COHEN, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. DAINES, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. WOMACK, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. ROSS, Mr. JORDAN, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. SHIMKUS and Mr. MURPHY of Florida.

H. Res. 688: Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. OWENS, Mr. STEWART, Mr. COBLE, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. WELCH, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. JOYCE, Mr. CLAWSON of Florida, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. ROONEY, and Ms. ESHOO.

H. Res. 728: Mr. BARBER, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. MOORE, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mrs. ELLMERS, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. Tipton, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, and Mr. COLLINS of New York.

H. Res. 730: Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. COFFMAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. WALZ, Ms. DEGETTE, and Mr. WELCH.

H. Res. 735: Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. DESANTIS, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. HULTGREN, Ms. JENKINS, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. LYNCH.

H. Res. 743: Mr. BARBER.

CONGRESSIONAL EARMARKS, LIMITED TAX BENEFITS, OR LIMITED TARIFF BENEFITS

Under clause 9 of rule XXI, lists or statements on congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits were submitted as follows:

OFFERED BY MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON

The provisions of H.R. 5682, to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Natural Resources do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of House rule XXI.

OFFERED BY MR. SHUSTER

H.R. 5682 does not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.

OFFERED BY MR. UPTON

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on Energy and Commerce in H.R. 5682 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.